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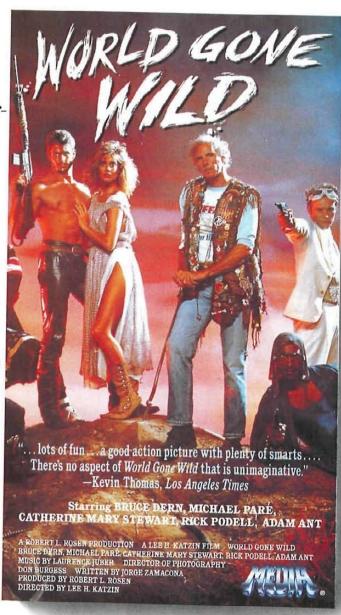


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cent reader survey is the frenzies, this is not possible. adult video ads in the magazine. So when Matty, our chairman and coffee, pizza, Chinese food, eggs, fet-SAKE!" president, came to town last week, we2 tuccine Alfredo, Carvel cakes, and • all sat down to decide whether to listen ? to our readers or listen to George and oning the ads: our obligation to our read-Mark, our publisher and national advertising manager, respectively, who claim they crave the proceeds from the discrepancy among our readers: while

Sure, it would be nice to simply a bump the adult video ads and insert, 2 from a waiting list, an ad for a European luxury sedan or a twelve-year-old : Scotch, but because of that rootin'tootin' God-toutin' Bible-thumpin' monstery minister out in Mississippi3 6

1. This was a regional survey. If you live in the wrong place, tough teriyaki, suffer in silence. Those of you who returned the survey, enjoy the spoils of your respondence.

2. Matty, George, Ratso, Andy, Dave, and Mark.

ne of the things we got and his blacklisting, hate-mailing, cen- ZOLAS OUT TO HERE I SAW IN some guff about in our re- soring, censuring, vendetta-raunched 'FOTO FUNNIES'?! LET'S SEE

> cud, debating the pros and cons of runers versus our obligation to ourselves.

> The issue was complicated by the : a large coterie did indeed boom out : "GET RID OF THOSE ADULT VIDEO ADS!" the second most popular suggestion was "AY, MORE TITS! : COME ON, WHERE'S THAT GIRL WITH THE NAKED GORGON-

3. The Reverend Donald Wildmon who, after deciding that our brand of humor is detrimental to Christian America, launched a venomous hate mail/boycott campaign that cost us several key advertisers. This is the same fellow who has launched a crazed campaign against CBS, claiming that Mighty Mouse snorts cocaine in their cartoons, and has led members of America's idiot fringe in a boycott against the motion picture The Last Temptation of Christ.

NON-HALOGEN SOME HEAD-And so we talked into the night, over . LIGHTS IN THE MAG, FOR CHRIS-

> We all agreed on one thing; amid our attempts at humor, we owe our readers a good proportion of-along with occasional goose pimples and winces and scowls-boner fuel. Without, of course, overdoing it for fear of becoming smutty, gory, or tearjerking.

> And then—probably during the Lung Fwo Wunk over rice-we got a hell of an idea: we would use the ads as an integral part of our editorial formula. This way, if we were editorially a little light in the reader arousal department, as the survey suggested, we could use the advertising to provide the gratuity necessary for a proper overall balance.

This is the technique used by those continued on page 11

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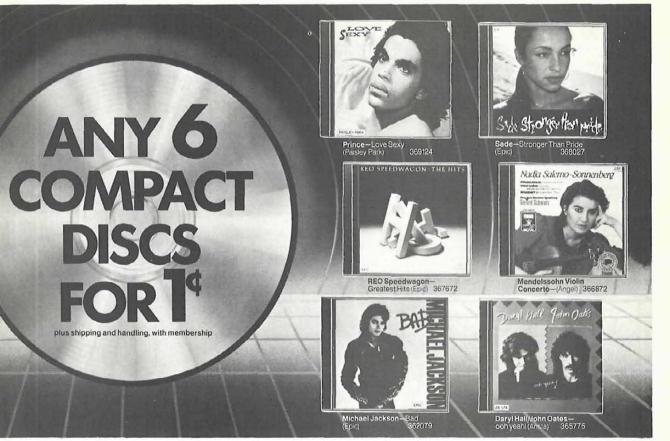
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Walk it off. You're all right. Walk it off. Marie Antoinette's Gym Teacher Versailles, France

Sirs:

> Ming the Merciless The Weather Channel

Sirs:

People at K mart are ugly! Condoms! Everyone at McDonald's is stupid! Condoms! Women can't drive! Condoms! Arabs own the 7-Elevens! The more you drink, the funnier we are!

M. T. Suit HBO Comedy Hour

Sirs:

Tits! Look! I've got tits! See! These things! They're tits! T-I-T-S! Tits!

Lisa Bonet Nosering, Calif.

Sirs:

Eran muy grandes.
(They were very large.)
Eran muy peludos.
(They were very hairy.)
Y Mamá no podía de tocarlos.
(And Momma couldn't keep her hands off them.)

Linda Ronstadt Cojones de Mi Padre (Testicles of My Father)

Sirs:

I am considering a few ideas for my next special, and I would appreciate your input. What do you think of: Fucking: The Original Sin; Shitting and Pissing: The Ultimate Crimes; and The Vagina: A Journey Inside? Geraldo Rivera

Sensationalopolis, Las Vegas

Sirs

I knew it. I should never have let that asshole talk me into the dwarf! What was I thinking? A dwarf? Come on!!!

Ron Howard Behind George Lucas's back A "Willow" preview

Sirs

Is anyone looking? No? All right, let's see some hustle now! Start pouring the tonnage of artificial stuff into those vats! Hey, where are my preservatives, huh? I don't want any excuses, you pathetic little serf. Tuesday is preservatives day, you know that! Let's go, let's go, LET'S GO! I want the animal fat here and now, people! I want that sodium nitrite! I want lard! I want red dye #2! I want...

Jerry, when Ben is away :
Ben & Jerry's ice cream plant :

Sirs:

The Three R's are a rhythm and blues band. Relief is spelled R-O-L-A-I-D-S. The Dutch discovered America in 1812. Spinoza is a kind of pasta. Violets are red. Roses are blue. The earth is flat. Cher isn't. Vietnam is in Africa.

American High School Students America

Sirs:

Grammar is interesting. The square root of -1 is useful in everyday life. Shakespeare was hip. Poland is important. Sex isn't. Basketball will get you nowhere. The big money is in forced memorization.

American High School Teachers

America

Sirs:

I have these two dreams about my son. One is of him accepting the Nobel Peace Prize. The other one is of him coming to the realization that his father is nothing but an insecure, overly hairy, drug-taking slob who must be the center of the universe wherever he goes.

Robin Williams Good Morning Cocaine, Calif. continued on page 12

#### THOSE AMAZING INSECT ATHLETES!

#### Flies Can See the Rotation on a Nolan Ryan Fastball!

With its two thousand eyes, the common housefly can discern the rotation of a ninety-five-mile-per-hour fastball in a manner Wade Boggs could only dream of. Yet, ironically, flies seem to have trouble with offspeed pitches, and are easily distracted by dog shit.



#### Beetles Could Play in the NFL with NO Equipment!

The black beetle's incredibly hard outer shell makes it ready for just about any kind of contact! Yet only one NFL team, the Indianapolis Colts, has ever used one in a game.

#### Crickets Could Referee an NBA Game!

North American crickets have been recorded chirping as loud as thirty-five decibels — louder than an NBA ref blowing a whistle! Yet the one time the NBA experimented with using crickets as referees, the crickets went underneath the bleachers and died.





#### Daddy-Longlegs Are Faster Than Carl Lewis!

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Michael Jann

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#### **Editorial**

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oversized, artsy-fartsy trend-determinant magazines, like *Interview*, whose editorially based photos consist exclusively of huge black-and-white close-ups of vermouth-ravaged playwrights. To attain their quotient of boner music, they have advertisements like the one for perfume with a bunch of naked people crawling on rocks, or for a boutique that sells \$180 bandannas and whose ads feature a dreamy brunette against a white background who reveals not only her gorgeous breasts in their entirety but also 115/116 of her satiny legs.<sup>4</sup>

Having our sex quotient sprout from the ads bears multifaceted goodfruits: we satisfy the guys who only buy the magazine to look at girls, for reasons cerebral or manual, and by so doing we allow ourselves to spend less time in long, grueling meetings thinking of ways to show naked women that aren't so baldly gratuitous as to be completely insulting to our readers' intelligence. This means we have more free

time to spend at the health club staring, our lower lips fat with the weight of our drool, at nubile, sweat-frosted women; more time to rent videos that feature Greta Scacchi saying something soulful while her clothes lie in a pile nearby; more time to go home to our wives and watch television.

Still another reason these ads are great is that, by showing these chicks, we don't have to have another meeting, this one *really* boring, trying to figure out how to pay for photographs of naked chicks, especially since all the ones with photogenic tans have to be flown in from California, and many demand extra money when they find out they have to get naked and stay that way for several hours during editorial meetings.

But ultimately, we decided to scrap the whole idea, because without the promise of editorial nudity, there would be no way to justify our famous cattle calls, in which dozens of gorgeous girls wearing measly outfits are misled up into our offices.

But the debate about whether to pull the ads raged on.

The deciding factor was, of course, money. Think of it: the choice was between getting *paid* to print something

on a page and paying some gin-addled lunatic (the one whose picture is in Interview) to write an article to fill the page, and paying his heroin compatriot to conjure a commensurate illustration. And then, the brunt of the money question— not the savings aspect, but the generating aspect:

One point three million dollars' worth. Not exactly all the money in the world if your name is Adnan Khashoggi or Donald Trump, but to George and Mark, who'll turn into a peanut butter sandwich if they eat another one, a nice chunk of change.

Of course, they felt rotten about disappointing those readers who'd written in, and they felt a little tyrannical about their two whims overriding hundreds of opposite-end votes, but George was able to work through his guilt feelings on the tiny and unspoiled Caribbean island of Mustique, and Mark was able to ease his personal burden of pain behind the wheel of a

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4. But of course, to the readers of these magazines, to pop a boner over a graphic treatment would be soooooo gauche.

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Roll over. Play dead. Good boy. Designers of the Suzuki Samurai

Liability, Japan

Why were we put here on this earth? We've been around for a long time, we've been thinking about it for centuries, and, well, we give up. It sure ain't to wear tuxedos and make sarcastic asides

> The Mexicans Slowly puzzling it out

Sirs:

Ass.

Tit.

Groin.

Label.

Ass, tit.

Groin, label.

Ass, tit, groin, label. "Creative Genius"

Jordache jeans Coors beer L.A. Gear Etc., etc., etc. :

I wanna sing a song right here...a song about this dude who worked incredibly hard his whole life, man, like nothin' was ever handed to him, an' he learned about life on the back streets, and after payin' a lot of dues he started to make millions and millions of dollars and married a model 'cause it seemed like the thing to do at the time, see, an' then they weren't in love no more, an' hey, that was COOL 'cause it goes like it goes, am I right? But...but, an' here comes the real sad part of the songoh, I got to bend real low an' dig down real DEEP for this part of the song 'cause like it's soooo sad, man.... You see, uh... THE STUPID SHIT DIDN'T SIGN A PRENUP-TIAL AGREEMENT! OOOHHH, and let me tell you it hurt so bad. . .

Bruce Springsteen Pre-song ramble The Alimony Alley Tour

You know vat ze challench iss? Gettink good experimental data and gettink out all ze gold fillings.

The Inhuman Engineering Group Theresienstadt Nazi-occupied Europe The annals of history Sirs:

I am not a mouse trying to be a rat. I'm a slug trying to be an agave worm.

> Billy Martin Back in limbo

Sirs:

Kiss me. C'mon, kiss me! You know you

Billy Martin Making his move

There were times I honestly thought about ending it all. Wouldn't that have been a shame?

> Mery Griffin As he leans over and finishes your ice cream

Sirs:

Wait a minute. Whoa, whoa. Run that by me again, please? No, no-the part about how nobody thinks I'm funny.

> Joe Piscopo There you have it

Hey! Hey, I know you're in there! You want some of this bourbon?

> Billy Martin Still hanging around your back porch

Sirs:

Listen listen listen. I'm not the Yankee manager anymore. But I'm still catnip to the babes, right? Right? Hey, did you hear me? I said I'm still...

> Billy Martin Getting unruly

Sirs:

What are you looking at, ya little fag? Huh? Say what? Why, I ought to . . Yearghh! Owww! Ouch, ouch, oh shit!

Billy Martin Taking it out on your ornamental lawn jockey

Hey, I think I broke my hand! It hurts like hell, can I please come in? It was three big guys, they jumped me while I was going to take a whiz behind your garage. . .

Billy Martin Definitely not going to go away and make it easy on you

Were people in the seventies really as ugly as they look in pictures?

> Little Miss Ellie May Miss Teen Ohio

Oh boy, you have beautiful bosoms! C'mon, let ol' Billy touch one. He's not looking. No, he isn't....

Billy Martin While your wife bandages his hand at your kitchen table:

#### How My Life Has Changed Under Reagan: A Personal Retrospective

by Dave Hanson

What's all this nonsense about homelessness, corruption, wars in Nicaragua and the Mideast, and environmental damage, and for God's sake, how can people say the Reagan administration has been a lousy

As far as I'm concerned, the good has by far outweighed the bad since Ronald Reagan was sworn in on January 20, 1981:

#### Good Things That Happened During the Reagan Administration

I got a recliner.

I finally got a really nice coffee machine.

I have more hair on my chest now.

I got a college diploma.

I used to have no TV; now I have a nineteen-inch color cable-ready job.

I have fewer zits.

I got a suit.

I lost my virginity.

I had three r.b.i.'s in a softball game.

I quit smoking.

I bought a car.

I got prescription sunglasses.

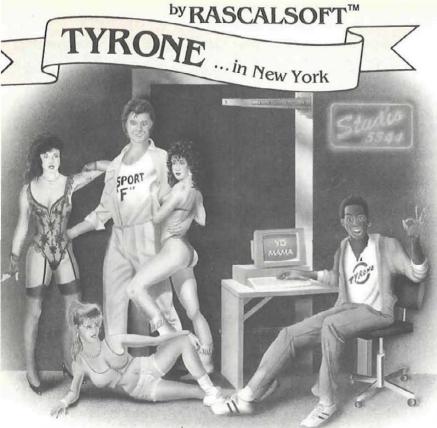
My chairs match.

I got a really sharp, executive-quality answering machine.

I have a lot more record albums now.

#### Bad Things That Happened During the Reagan Administration

I gained thirty-five pounds.



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#### Sirs:

Oh, Carter, please! You're not a fashion victim! You're not a fashion victim!

Gloria Vanderbilt On her terrace New York, N.Y.

#### Sirs:

Ha! National syndication! Now we can multiply and transmit our alien selves across the airwaves! Think of it—millions of us, on chins everywhere—the necks of America are ours at last!

The Lumps on Morton Downey Jr.'s Face Secaucus, N.J.

#### Sirs:

Sometimes I get so damn mad I run red lights all the way home and beat my wife to a bloody pulp.

Martina Navratilova On a losing streak

#### Sirs

Okay, so Einstein comes up to Heisenberg and says, "God does not play dice."

And Heisenberg says, "Don't be certain." Ha! That one slays me! If you need any more, I've got 10° of 'em.

Stephen Hawking Turning to mush in a wheelchair but thinking clearly Cambridge, England



NATIONAL LAMPOON 13

i, I'm busy comedian
Gilbert Gottfried. You
may have seen me in
Beverly Hills Cop II.
You'll probably be
seeing more of me on
MTV or Letterman—
why, heck, I can't tell
you just what I'll be doing next!!!

But I can tell you what I won't be doing: opening for Belinda Carlisle....But I'm

getting ahead of myself.

You see, a few weeks ago I got a call from my agent (unforgivably waking me up at four-thirty in the afternoon).

"Gilbert," he screams, "y'know who Belinda Carlisle is?!!"

"Well, I do read *People* magazine," I groggily reply. "Isn't she the rehabilitated drug abuser beloved by millions as the pert and perky cruise director, Julie, on *The Love Boat*?"

"Naw, you're thinking of Lauren Tewes."

"Okay, so she's the rehabilitated drug abuser who used to stand in a miniskirt yelling, 'Sock it to me! Sock it to me!'"

"Nope, that's Judy Carne."

"I got it, she's the rehabilitated drug abuser whose cigarette lighter exploded, setting her on fire, and she may or may not have had a mother who worked as a madam in a whorehouse!"

"No, you're thinking of Richard Pryor."

"Wait, isn't she the rehabilitated drug abuser who was the beloved daughter of the Merry Mailman and who once punched a woman who worked at the passport bureau?"

"Naw, that's Joey Heatherton."

"I know, it's the rehabilitated drug abuser whose life was saved by Cher, but no one gives a fuck."

"No, that was Gregg Allman."

"Was she the rehabilitated drug abuser who still gets together and croaks with the equally decrepit Stills, Nash, and Young?"

"No!" my agent snaps. "That's David Crosby. The one I'm talking about is the rehabilitated drug abuser and ex-lead singer of the Go-Go's!" "All right," I say. "So what about her?"

"Well," he beams over the phone, "her opening act had to cancel out at the last minute, and guess what—I got you the job!"

Well, next thing I know I'm onstage facing a large audience of Belinda Carlisle fans. Now, I don't know if you've ever met any of her fans... but if you took their combined intelligence and multiplied it by 10, you would come up with an IQ of 6. Faced with this obstacle, I bravely forged ahead, and within three minutes onstage I was doing every dick joke I could think of.

The next night, Belinda's dorky road manager approached me before the show

and proceeded to reprimand me for my obscene language during the act. He stressed that there were eleven-year-old girls in the audience with their parents.

Taking all that into consideration, I got onstage and began my act—showing remarkable restraint. I waited at least five minutes into my set before uttering the word "cunt."

That night I got a call from my agent saying, "Everybody involved with the show loves you." That's show-biz talk for "You've been fired!"

Yes, I learned a bitter lesson. So without further ado:

# Gilbert Gottfried Presents: Seven Jokes (Give or Take One or Two) That You Must Never Tell When You Open for Belinda Carlisle (But I Did!)

1. Why are a woman's pussy and asshole so close together? So you can carry her like a six-pack.

- 2. Three fags are in a hot tub. All of a sudden a big blob of semen floats to the top. One fag yells out to the other two, "Okay, who farted?"
- 3. What do you get when you cross a rooster with a telephone pole?

A fifty-foot cock that reaches out and touches someone.

4. A man walks into a doctor's office. The doctor examines him and finds out he has five penises. The doctor screams, "That's amazing, how do your pants fit?" The man says, "Like a glove."

5. "Dad, I got my first blowjob today."

"How was it, son?"

"Tasted awful."

- 6. A Polish man goes home to his wife holding a steaming pile of dog shit and says, "Look what I almost stepped in."
- 7. What's pink and red and climbs up a woman's leg? A homesick abortion.

#### **Editorial**

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brand-new Lincoln Town Car. Sure, as far as our readers are concerned, George and Mark may have learned to read surveys at the Ferdinand Marcos Electoral College, but the bottom line is, they're in charge—not you. And just so you won't think too badly of them, put the shoe—a Bally—on the other foot. If you were getting a cool mill point three to print the ads, and George said he didn't like it, would you listen?

Further interactions with survey respondents: along with the big sex debates, we were deluged with requests to see the Gettysburg Address in pig Latin; turn to page 34 if you want to see which magazine values and respects the opinions of its readers. Also, we were swamped with requests to do a letter about Marie Antoinette (see page 10) and a "Yellow Journal" piece about Al Sharpton (see p. 27).

But while we happily complied with these requests, we were unfortunately not able to pursue suggestions to do a Rorschachian analysis of Gorby's forehead or an investigative piece refuting the romantic involvement of Bruce Boxleitner and Fergie, despite the voluminousness of the lobbying.

Another request many readers made was for the revivification of Michael Simmons's "Drinking Tips and Other War Stories" column; Michael, speaking through his press agent from his palatial Texas Avenue estate as he sipped a Moussy, has agreed to bring it back to life, starting next issue.

As far as the survey in general: if, as Eisenhower said, the true measure of success is generating ink-stained landfill, then indeed, our survey was a screaming success. If he was wrong, well, the survey was still a success, and yielded some very interesting, helpful answers. We'd like to thank all our readers who participated, except of course Karen B. from Portland, Oregon, whom we dare to come in and say all that stuff to our faces while we're holding aluminum bats.

Jave Houson

P.S.: If you didn't receive the survey, and you have any thoughts on the magazine, please drop us a line.

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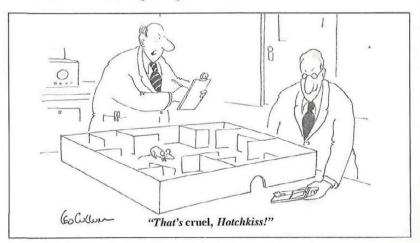
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Wicked Witch of Playboy Mansion West and erstwhile centerfold extraordinaire Carrie Leigh was photographed by focus phenom John Duke Kisch at his swanky New York studio. Special thanks to Carrie, as well as her manager, Joey Battig, for their kindness and cooperation. Carrie, we don't believe a thing those nasty *Playboy* editors say about you. Also thanks to: Lauren Matonis, for the exquisite job she did applying Carrie's makeup; W. G. "Bob" Sullivan, for printing the

black-and-whites in the pictorial; Rose at Evelyn's Chocolates, for making chocolate bunnies when Easter was nowhere in sight; editorial assistant Debra Rabas, for an astounding job of choreographing the props for a short-notice shoot; editor Dave Hanson, the Hef beneath the swaddles, who did without sight, hearing, or oxygen for an hour and a half, all in the interests of art; and Sylvia's Restaurant on Lenox Avenue, for the best ribs we've ever tasted.





J ust think of this as a contemporary version of the classic film *Modern Times*: imagine Charlie Chaplin, instead of being watched by Big Brother from the huge mirror in the bathroom, now signing up *with* Big Brother, those folks at IBM, to represent them in their commercials. All right, now picture him working at the comedy factory, as the assembly line turns out more stand-up comedians than poor Charlie can handle.

Milton Berle Meets

Tim Leary

That's what it felt like at the first annual American Comedy Convention, held recently at the Riviera Hotel in Las Vegas. I was there covering it for the Los Angeles Times. My editor wanted me to focus on one particular seminar, "Getting Ready for Late-Night Television," featuring Robert Morton, producer of Late Night with David Letterman, and Jim McCawley, co-producer of The Tonight Show with Johnny: Carson. But I'm free to tell the rest of the story here. National Lampoon readers will also learn what Times readers were deprived of-ironically, the most important advice that Morton gave to young comedians hoping to debut on the Letterman show.

The convention was organized by Budd Friedman, who started the first nightclub devoted exclusively to comedy twenty-five years ago, the Improvisation. Now there are 280 comedy clubs around the country. A reporter from *Rolling Stone* shared with Friedman his theory that AIDS is the cause of this explosion, since discos and singles bars are out of fashion but people go as couples to comedy clubs.

There has been a growing controversy about the preponderance of male performers at comedy clubs. In Los Angeles,

the Comedy Store opened a separate Belly Room for comedians of the female persuasion, and there was some resentment over this discriminatory treatment. Ironically, a booker from Boise, Idaho, told Friedman that even in such a stereotypically square city, there are more requests for female comics than they can fulfill. Friedman said it was probably the novelty that appealed to them, like "Can you get me a Jew comic?"

At the opening cocktail party, it was realized that convention lapel badges did not include what city their bearers hailed from, so comedians were forced to keep asking each other the same question that they ordinarily ask their audiences: "Where you from?" Gossip about comedians was shared, from the rumor that Robin Williams caught herpes from a waitress—now Mr. Happy has turned into Mr. Unhappy—to the warning that Sam Kinison has a mean temper and carries a loaded gun.

The purpose of this convention was summed up by one stand-up comic who was walking around with a sign reading: "Now Accepting Applications for Patrons, Benefactors, and Philanthropists, or Someone with Lots of Work for Me." Even an accountant for comedians tried to be funny. "If you're audited," he advised, "put five hundred dollars on the table and innocently ask, 'Is that yours?" And then he added, "If all else fails, suck up to the warden."

But let us return to watch that conveyor belt for a while as our latter-day Charlie Chaplin runs a machine that stamps out interchangeable aggressive clones, although some of them are more hostile than others. Three comedians actually fired toy guns into the audience. At times, between the Chinese waiter routines and the references to buying Slim Jims and the impressions of Clint Eastwood and the Nell Carter fat jokes and the takeoffs on Ginsu knife commercials, people in the audience glanced at their watches.

Other times, the lack of laughter was so excruciating that the performers stopped and looked at *their* watches. Each one was supposed to do fifteen minutes onstage. "They told me not to go over my time," one comic said sarcastically. "No problem." Another said, "My worst nightmare has come true here. I'm going to kill myself after this." Still another said, "It used to be when they told you, 'Five minutes left,' you said, 'Oh, fuck!' Now it's 'Thank God!"

As a stand-up satirist myself, I am quite familiar with this time problem. Recently I performed at the Punchline in San Francisco. It was a benefit for the ACLU. "I must apologize," I told the audience. "I'm a dyslexic, and I thought this was a benefit for UCLA." The manager had told me that when the curtain opened, I would have only five minutes left. I didn't realize he meant the little curtain by the ticket taker. I figured he meant the curtain behind me onstage. So when a lady in the audience returned to her seat and accidentally opened the curtain behind me. I thought that was

the signal and wound up earlier than I was supposed to. I still cringe with embarrassment at my dumb mistake.

Anyway, although the showcase performances at the Comedy Convention were taking place during the afternoon, out of sheer force of habit approximately one-third of the comics said, upon finishing their acts, "Good night!" Another habit, that of telling the audience how great it is, was also hard to break. "This really does suck, the first five guys were right," said one comedian, immediately and inconsistently following that with what has become a standard closing line: "Thanks a lot, you guys were a lot of fun."

Diane Ford was the only performer among the sixty-four showcasers who tried any new material, specifically a bit based on that week's news that Mighty Mouse had been accused of snorting cocaine. Ford recently appeared on HBO's Women of the Night comedy series. She had complained about the title: "We couldn't make it as stand-ups, so we had to be whores." As a result she was told, "The smallest dressing room is yours."

Had anthropologists from the future attended this Comedy Convention, they would hardly have known that this was an election year. There were only two performers who made any political observations: Will Durst, who referred to George Bush as "Reagan Lite" and Michael Dukakis as "Jimmy Carter in tweed"; and Tom Sheikman, who commented that "the rightwing American Legion says that gays deserve AIDS because they lead such sinful lives, and I agree because that's what I said about legionnaires' disease."

Mark Sweetman was the only stand-up comic who took a chance and poked fun at the convention's expert panelists: "I lost twenty dollars today—I made a stupid bet. The odds were a hundred to one that Danny Simon would spend less time on the theme of his seminar than he would bitching that he's only known as Neil Simon's brother."

Age was a popular topic of the comedians. Jordan Brady, twenty-four, referred to his months as a fetus and pointed out that "when John F. Kennedy was shot, I was developing eyelids." Rich Ceisler, thirty-two, went out with an eighteen-year-old girl who said to him, "You mean you actually pay taxes and junk?"

There was one particular trend worth noting at this convention. Whereas stand-up comics have for years been talking about going out to Denny's on their first date, now many of them have married. Stan Ullman's wife is Polish, and at the moment of sexual climax she calls out: "I'm going! I'm going!" Jan Barrett said, "The problem with marriage is, people think you're unavailable." And Ed Yeager's wife "is not from this country. We met during the Vietnam War. In Canada."

stage. So when a lady in the audience returned to her seat and accidentally opened young babies. A few asked the musical the curtain behind me, I thought that was question "How many people here have had

a baby by the Lamaze method?" Richie : Minervini pointed out that "changing a diaper can change your life. For instance, I don't bite my fingernails anymore."

Each showcasing comedian had to be recommended by two club owners. Nor was the convention free for these performers. "I paid three hundred dollars to do this" was one comic's opening line, delivered with mock shock, for this was indeed Comedy Hell. For three consecutive days, sixty-four comedians performed their auditions on a conveyor belt unwinding before an audience made up of tourists taking time out from gambling and club owners who, had it not been for the comedy explosion, might well have been managing Radio Shack franchises instead.

Ninety percent of the comedy club owners chose Milton Berle as the one to be honored at the Comedy Legends Lunch during the convention. He arrived the day before the lunch, chewing on a cigar like a caricature of himself. The reporter from Rolling Stone asked him if the word "burlesque" came from Berle. I asked if he knew that he had this reputation for having a giant schlong.

Berle smiled. But then he noticed my convention lapel badge, which identified me as being from the Los Angeles Times, and his expression changed. The previous week, Times theater and comedy critic Lawrence Christon had blasted Berle, Danny Thomas, and Sid Caesar for their Vegas show, The Living Legends of Comedy. He had called them, respectively, "desperate," "sentimental," and "bewildered." Now Berle was complaining to me about that review.

"Look," I shrugged, "Christon is a professional critic."

"He can write whatever the fuck he wants," replied Berle. "We still got three and a half million dollars' worth of bookings."

That evening, Berle went to the Improvisation at the Riviera, then complained to Friedman that the middle act, Taylor Negron, was too dirty. Friedman passed the word on to Negron, who took out a total of four "fucks" from his performance on the following evening. At the Comedy Legends Lunch the next day, Berle's own raunchiness ranged from stories of how his mother used to pimp for him to the time he gave his wife a hundred-dollar bill after intercourse and she gave him ninety-eight dollars change.

He made fun of his own reputation for using others' material—"I don't steal jokes, I find them before they're lost"—but he also advised *seriously* that "it's okay to take stuff from other comics when you're beginning to develop your act." This in an age when HBO had to spend five thousand dollars on joke-theft insurance before Steven Wright could tape his comedy special. But it's often the other way around. Comedy club owners will hire comics who steal because it's cheaper than hiring the

original.

Berle was supposed to do ten minutes, but he stretched it to an hour, as though he were practicing conscious senility. Comic Mark Sweetman remarked that he had bought the Las Vegas Sun to do the crossword puzzle, but they didn't have one; instead they had "the Milton Berle Word Search." He also asked the rhetorical question "If comedy is the rock of the eighties, will it be the disco of the nineties?"

The names of the showcasing comedians had been drawn from a champagne bucket so that the order in which they were to appear would be by chance. Thus it was pure coincidence rather than theft of premise that two comics in a row talked about duck hunting. And they were followed by a ventriloquist with a duck dummy. The ventriloquist repeated everything the dummy said, just like William Hurt repeated everything Marlee Matlin said in the movie *Children of a Lesser God*.

Jack Wilks boasted that he could develop film with his urine test. He also said, "I've learned how to create my own reality, but it takes up all of my spare time." Randy Lubas bragged that he was the only diabetic in Jonestown. Then he sang a song of Swaggart: "Jimmy watched porn and I don't care...."

There were a few references to LSD, presumably by stand-ups who had never ingested that hallucinogenic—"This is like a bad acid trip at the Mardi Gras," said one comic—so it was interesting for them to see one of their shorthand references in the flesh. Tim Leary was at the convention to discuss "How to Turn Your Stand-up into a One-Man Show."

Leary was in top irreverent form. His targets ranged from the corruptibility of Ed Meese to the infallibility of the pope, from the virtues of long-term memory gain to the vices of the government's war on drugs. "How can you declare war on vegetables?" he asked. He said that "zero tolerance reminds me of final solutions." He pointed out that nicotine kills 300,000 a year, alcohol kills 100,000, guns kill 10,000, but that there have been only twenty-five deaths from marijuana in 25,000 years.

Leary talked about how to sabotage videotapes with the use of digital equipment and a computer screen so that Rambo is holding a gigantic gorilla penis instead of a machine gun and speaks in the voice of Minnie Mouse. Then he asked an individual sitting in the audience up to the stage—namely, me. But I was there as a reporter. I hadn't had a chance to think of what to say, nor did I have time to get nervous. I went onstage with my notebook and pen in hand so that I could write down anything I said that might be worth remembering.

"There have been twenty-five deaths from marijuana in 25,000 years," I repeated. "But if it happens to you..." I told about the time Leary had debated G. Gordon Liddy in Berkeley as part of a series.

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#### ZEN BASTARD RIDES AGAIN

People magazine recently called Paul Krassner "father of the underground press." Naturally he demanded a blood test. But Krassner did publish The Realist from 1958 to 1974, and now he's doing it again, as a satirical newsletter. The first ten issues—still available—include:

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University of Iowa security officers and an Iowa City animal-control officer charged Brian Honnold of Des Moines with cruelty to animals after the nineteen-year-old tied a little parachute to his pet gerbil and dropped it several times from the eleventh floor of Slater Hall, a university dormitory.

"The gerbil finally got stuck in a tree," reported the *Times Republican* of Marshalltown, Iowa. "Harold and his friends tried to free it by throwing footballs at it that night, then basketballs the next morning."

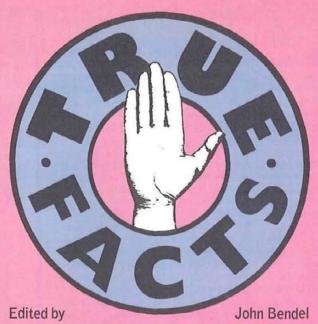
University officials finally used a cherry-picker truck to free the gerbil, which was reported "doing fine." (contributed by Mark Stenson)

Police in Calgary, Alberta, arrested an unnamed man after they found \$25,000 worth of marijuana growing in his home. They had entered the home through a second-story window after an unusual call to 911. Emergency service operators were relayed the call by a phone company operator who heard only rustling at the other end of the line. Police, expecting some sort of emergency, found only the marijuana and the arrested man's dog.

The dog had apparently knocked the receiver off the telephone and somehow punched the zero button. Calgary Herald (contributed by Brian Howe)

A jury in Albuquerque, New Mexico, ordered attorney Patrick Harman to pay \$30,000 to former girlfriend Carolyn Garcia. Harman had burned his initials on Garcia's buttocks—"apparently with a device for engraving tennis balls"—as the woman slept. Albuquerque Journal (contributed by Mark R. Youtzy)

Television viewers reacted vehemently to a test commercial produced for Union Bay sportswear aired on KTLA-TV



in Los Angeles.

According to the Wall Street Journal, the commercial showed "one teenage boy daring another to a 'chickie race' near an oceanside cliff. 'We come tearin' for this here edge, and the first one to bail outta his car is a chicken,' the boy says. As they approach the precipice, one jumps to safety, but the other goes over the cliff. The ad ends with a shot of the dead boy's clothing floating intact in the water and the slogan: 'Union Bay. Fashion that's made to last." (contributed by Gary J. Prebula)

North Carolina's Greensboro News & Record reported the death of a Thomasville man who shot himself in the head accidentally. According to the Davidson County Sheriff's Department, the name of the man was Marion Alton "Booboo" Clark. (contributed by Lee Vernon)

A thirty-two-year-old man robbed a St. Paul, Minnesota, flower shop at knifepoint, then made his getaway in a yellow forty-foot school bus belonging to the Ryder Student Transportation Services Company. The driver was apprehended an hour later at a school in nearby Minneapolis as he picked up kindergartners. Star-Tribune (contributed by Judith Parkhill)

Three teenage boys broke into a public television studio,

"turned on the cameras and machinery, and exposed themselves to the viewing public."

Later the same day, a technician at the studio "pushed the wrong button," allowing the porn movie *Dreams of Desire* to be broadcast instead of a gospel-music program.

According to Neal Gosman,

an official at the studio, many viewers were offended, but others "called to say they wanted more of the unexpected programming." Toronto Star (contributed by Paul Sheridan)

From the San Francisco Chronicle:

"Hickory, North Carolina—Officials shut down twenty-one schools yesterday and sent home about 12,700 students after forty cafeteria workers and school administrators came down with food poisoning after a banquet honoring food service workers." (contributed by Andy H. Chick)

Donald E. Lovak of Lake Ridge, Virginia, took his pet boa constrictor, python, and pit bull for a ride in his 1979 Pontiac Firebird but crashed into an oncoming car, killing a Herndon, Virginia, woman. The python and the pit bull fled the scene while the boa stayed "wrapped around everything from the gas pedal to the heating unit."

An animal-control officer and a couple of firefighters took thirty minutes to remove the un

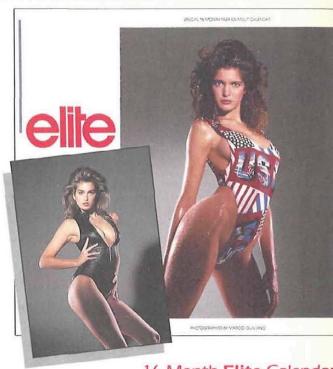


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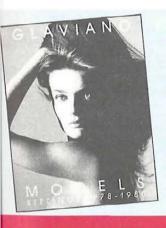
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snake. "The hardest part was finding the head," said animalcontrol officer Paige Long.

Lovak was charged with refusing to take a blood or breath test and driving without a license.

According to the Washington Times, "Mr. Lovak posted \$2,500 bond Saturday and went to the county animal shelter Sunday to pick up his boa constrictor and his pit bull, which was found Saturday in Occoquan Park and turned in to the shelter.

"Police did not know why Mr. Lovak was driving with his unusual pets Friday night. The boa, witnesses told police, was on Mr. Lovak at the time of the collision. Police do not believe, however, that either snake—neither of which is poisonous—was harming Mr. Lovak.

"'As far as we know the

snake was not responsible,' police spokesman Peter Fakoury said." (contributed by Bob Hansson)

Corpses seemed to be eluding police in Florida recently.

Leon County officials disciplined Captain Steve Bodiford and Lieutenant William P. Gunther after they investigated the disappearance of a seventy-nine-year-old woman but failed to notice her body under her bed. The body was found three days after the initial investigation. (Daytona Beach) News-Journal (contributed by Jim Burkell)

And in Oviedo, Florida, the body of Peter John Finch was found by neighbors six hours after the car he was riding in drifted off the road and hit a fence. Police had not searched for anyone because the car's

driver, who survived the crash, "did not remember if anyone had been riding with him." San Jose Mercury News (contributed by Steve Karlovic)

A Supreme Court jury in Toronto, Ontario, acquitted twenty-four-year-old Kenneth Parks of the murder of his forty-two-year-old mother-in-law. Parks had driven "twenty-three kilometers to her house, hit her with an iron bar, and stabbed her repeatedly." The jury, however, believed the defense lawyer, who claimed that Parks was sleepwalking at the time.

To demonstrate a family history of sleepwalking, Parks's grandmother had testified that his grandfather "was always frying up onions, potatoes, and eggs while asleep." Kitchener-Waterloo (Ontario) Record (contributed by D. R. Hiller)

From the Washington Times:

"Four large people tried to make sixteenth-century astrologer Nostradamus's prediction of an earthquake this month come true, courtesy of a Phoenix radio station. The group's members, each weighing more than three hundred pounds, tried jumping up and down by the sea at Venice Beach, California, in an effort to start an earthquake. They trained for the event by eating pizza and hamburgers." (contributed by John Donovan)

In Augusta, Georgia, attorney Allen Johnson asked the Richmond County State Court to dismiss charges against his client, Adrienne Brown, the wife of soul singer James Brown. Johnson claimed that Mrs. Brown, charged with driving under the influence of drugs, speeding, and criminal trespass, had diplomatic immunity.

The claim was based on a remark made by Congressman D. Douglas Barnard on James Brown Appreciation Day in 1986. "James is indeed our

number-one ambassador," the congressman said.

Johnson's motion before the court read: "The accused's husband, James Brown, is America's number-one ambassador and as such should have diplomatic immunity and such immunity extends to his wife, the accused herein." Los Angeles Herald Examiner (contributed by David Ostovich)

Police officer T. R. Taylor of Suffolk, Virginia, was chasing a speeder on Route 58 when his engine cut off, "freezing the power steering and brakes. The 1987 Dodge had been in the shop for such problems before. The police car drifted across the highway, and the front right tire stuck in the mud on the shoulder."

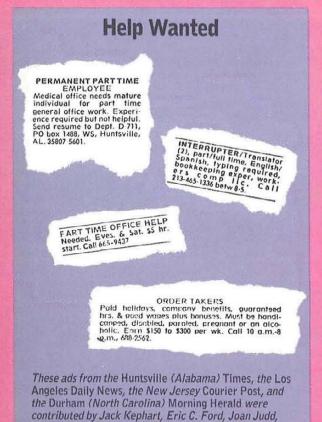
Then, apparently, the car's hot catalytic converter ignited some dry grass. Taylor jumped out of the car. But as the fire grew, he remembered that his car's radar unit was one of only three in town. He jumped back into the burning car to remove the radar unit, refusing to get out even as would-be rescuers tried to save him from the spreading flames. After the radar was safe, he went back into the car six more times to retrieve things.

"One time I looked and saw my baby's picture on the dash and I picked it up, and just as I did the dashboard erupted in flames," said Taylor.

By the time Taylor gave up trying to rescue things and fire fighters got the flames under control, the car was totally destroyed.

According to the Ledger-Star of Hampton Roads, Virginia, "All the belongings Taylor could save were piled on the other side of the road. Another police officer tied a rope on Taylor's burned car and began towing it out of the mud.

"The rope broke. The car drifted across the highway and straight into Taylor's pile of belongings." (contributed by David Santos)



and Van L. Wilson.

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Then the letters started pouring in. "Where can we get one of those fine-quality offset limited-edition signed and numbered legless frog lithographs?" people wrote. We went to Sam. We pleaded. We begged. "Let's make some more prints." But Sam said, "No!"

So we waited. We didn't have anything better to do except get out the magazine and work on the screenplay for *Amadeus II*, but the project didn't go anywhere because we couldn't figure out how to bring Mozart back from the dead.

Occasionally we'd see Sam in expensive French restaurants indulging in his passion for *jambes de grenouille* and he'd wave at us and we'd wave back. Then one day after a particularly satisfying meal, he burped, leaned over to us, and said, "Let's make some more limited-edition prints." He then hiccuped three times and promptly fell asleep in what remained of his *Chantilly aux* fraises à la diabète.

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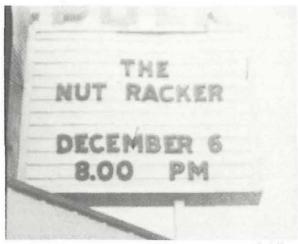
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# YELOW JOURNAL

All the news about people named Schmidt

# Ocean Pollution Spurs a Wave of Change in Seashore Business

A hypodermic needle bearing the inscription "My grandma went to Ocean Grove and all I got was this lousy syringe."

A "gag" postcard of a tourist holding up a six-foottall uterus he allegedly found washed up on the beach. Saltwater taffy with a flavor reminiscent of the after-

taste of an angiogram.

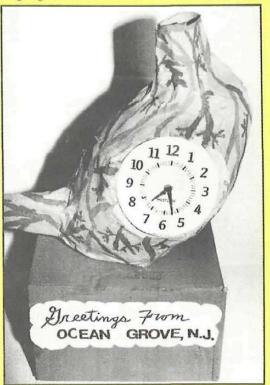
These are just a few of the results of a massive, roll-with-the-punches restructuring by the seaside business interests of New Jersey, Long Island, and New York City—an industry determined to prevent next summer's lucrative tourist business from being ravaged as badly as 1988's by the sewage and hospital waste washing up on beaches.

And the souvenir trade is not the only aspect of shore life that is making such adjustments: eateries, in an effort to make their fare more representative of local edibles, are ordering chefs to switch over from traditional deep-fried shellfish to more contemporary dishes incorporating the thousands of fish that the poison tide claims every week. According to Tom Treadliss, owner of the Point Pleasant Sea Shack, "Our biggest item of next year looks to be a sushi roll known as fece-maki. After the fish is marinated in a formula of lemon juice and hydrogen peroxide for two days, it is rolled in dry ice and Styrofoam peanuts and rolled up in kelp sheets." And deli owner Larry Ryalls of Long Island says he will be serving a new array of sandwiches come summer, including a predicted favorite called "Doc of the Bay," which consists of medical waste du jour served clambake-style.

On Staten Island's South Beach, which has earned the colorful moniker Gulden Heinz Beach because of the condiment-like look and feel of the sand and water, youths are forming "bloodbag volleyball" leagues. And small children have taken to playing lawn darts with beached syringes, often also using the hypodermic works in a game of tag, with the battle cry of "Cooties" being updated to "Ha! Hepatitis B!"

There is one thing all shore businesses are excited about: the likelihood that the "greenhouse effect" will extend the beach season. As Irma Edgars, owner of Irma's Clams & Souvenirs in Sea Girt, New Jersey, says, "Sure, sales may fall off density-wise, but with eleven months in the season instead of four or five, we're not going to starve."

—D.H.



The shore industries of New Jersey and Long Island, determined to prevent pollution and medical debris from ravaging the tourist industry as they did in 1988, are retooling to produce souvenirs more representative of actual beaches. Shown: the classical Shore Timepiece, fashioned from a beached human stomach, varnished, and mounted on a handsome chunk of driftwood.

#### HORRORSCOPE

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Your Birthday: As good a

day as any to stop screwing vour boss's wife. Signs indicate that overindulgence in birthday booze will result in choking to death on your own vomit while sleeping it off....Classy exit, chief!

SAGITTARIUS (11/23-

12/21): The approaching moon signifies you must be more objective and realistic: time to come to grips with the fact that your new boyfriend is a hatchet man for the Aryan Brotherhood. Best to clam up about that Puerto Rican ex-husband—at least until the relationship solidifies....Frequent urine tests become mandatory at work, and guess who comes up heap dirty. Don't call it getting fired, call it "tough love."

. -T.K.

#### **AMERICA'S** WAYWARD CHILDREN

According to a recent worldwide survey, American students scored near the bottom in their knowledge of geography. Only students from the small African nation of Brazil fared worse.

The survey determined that:

- 45% thought the Soviet Union was where El Salvador is located.
- 52% had heard of Europe.
- 13% actually knew where it was.
- 2% thought it was the name of their next-door neighbor.
- 12% located Australia on the map.
- 76% didn't know the name of the country, but knew Paul Hogan came from that island.
- 44% more or less knew where the United States was, give or take a few countries.
- 51% knew approximately where they lived.
- 88% knew exactly where the local crack dealer lived. -A.S.

#### The New Passover Rites Israelites Flock to Moneter Total

Monster-Truck Circuit

"Tired" of appeasement? So is the West Bank's Wild Bill Sharon!

The bitter tang of burning tires, the acrid smell of diesel fuel hang heavy in the air.

Then, careening into the air, "Wailing Wall," the \$200,000, twelve-foot-tall customized truck with tenfoot-diameter tires, plows into the first Palestinian, then crunches a row of nine more youths.

Just another day on the Israeli monster-truck circuit -Arab-bashing extravaganzas that draw sellout crowds to coliseums all along the West Bank.

"The gnashing of teeth, the rending of garmentsthe crowd really gets into it," explains promoter Morris "Mo" Klein. "Stomper trucks appeal to anyone who's been caught in a traffic jam-or Palestinian autonomy."



Tuesday night is "Thirty-Inch Wooden Club Night," a popular giveaway promotion at Shalom International Raceway. Tank tops, prayer shawls, and Mogen David coolers are everywhere.

"I'm on Coricidin," chuckles Sergeant Jacob Edelman. "I shouldn't be operating heavy machinery. But you can't keep me away. I love the calmness this sport gives me."

He climbs into the "Torahing Inferno" as soldiers drag several cameramen away.

"Boy, do I get a good night's sleep."

-D.W.

Contributors: Nick Bakay Dave Hanson Michael Jann Tony Kisch

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#### Fundamentalists to Santa:

Stay Home!

In an effort to protect Americans from the teeming panoply of satanic cultural influences, Methodist minister Donald Wildmon and Christian extremist Reverend R. L. Hymers, Jr., have issued a pamphlet regarding what Americans should or should not do during the Christmas holidays.

Wildmon, head of the American Family Association, which led protests against the movie *The Last Temptation of Christ*, has accused Mighty Mouse of snorting cocaine and has conducted countless other crusades against heathenism for the sake of America's weak-willed, Satan-baited sheeplings. Wildmon now claims that "the Christmas season is rife with profane iconoclasm, and Americans, who are unfit to police their own morals at any time, are in particular danger of committing irredeemable sacrilege at Christmastime."

According to the pamphlet, which is entitled *Putting the Christ Back in Christmas*, people wishing to elude eternal damnation should adhere to the following rules:

1) Do not allow your family to read the poem A Visit from St. Nicholas ("'Twas the night before Christmas"), as it contains many insidious sexual refer-

ences. For example, just where exactly was the mouse that evening?

- 2) Do not acknowledge the existence of Santa Claus, as a) his bearded persona is a flagrant representation of the film director Martin Scorsese, a vile embodiment of Satan; b) Santa has a dubious relationship with his childlike elves, whom he forces to violate God's commandment by making them work Sundays.
- 3) Do not wrap Christmas gifts with ribbon, as the "cross" shape formed by the junction of the ribbons is a misrepresentation of the sign of the cross and is thus sacrilegious.
- 4) Never use the abbreviation "Xmas," as this is slangy and sacrilegious, similar to saying "Joey Christ."
- 5) Do not send greeting cards saying "Happy Holidays," as this acknowledges the existence of Chanukah and its celebrators, and thus incorporates the ambience of Satan into the joy of Christmas.
- 6) Do not give puppies as gifts, as this will imply to children that a price can be put on life, that life can be chattel, devalued and unholy, and thus that abortion is acceptable.
- 7) Never engage in caroling, for music, of course, encourages dancing, which is only a vertical expression of a horizontal desire.

#### **Public Crew Cut for Sharpton**



The Reverend Al Sharpton, the patron ain't of lost causes, will finally face the music this winter. After a long and arduous process the grand jury investigating the Tawana Brawley case has decided on what it deems "fitting punish-

ment for someone as fat and odious as this profiteering pie wagon."

On December 20, a terrified Sharpton will be led to a chair in the middle of the court at Madison Square Garden prior to a Knicks/ Pacers game. No doubt to the deafening roar of all present, no doubt perspiring heavily, and no doubt quivering in blubbery anticipation of this reckoning, the pied piper of pudge will then ease his splaying buttocks into a reinforced director's chair. Following a full program of endlessly boring and self-serving speeches by Governor Mario Cuomo, Mayor Ed Koch, etc., and carnival sideshow acts, a fanfare will be played on sixteen baritone saxophones, and John "Buzzsaw" Randaccio will step up to Sharpton wielding a pair of electric hair clippers. Randaccio will proceed to give the Samson of sagacity the ugliest crew cut

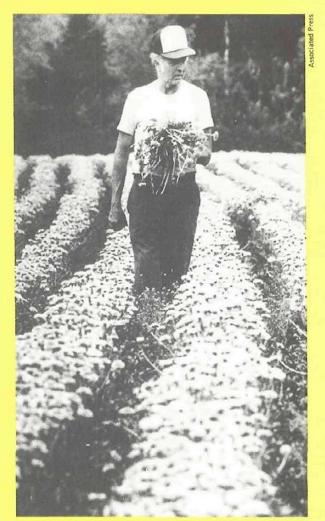
Thus humiliated and bowed, Sharpton will then be hurled into the upper deck by catapult and thrown from level to level by the unruly hordes like a beachball at a Van Halen concert. Should he survive this ordeal, Sharpton will then be forced to stay and hear the entire post-game concert featuring the Beach Boys. —N.B.



#### Inside Larry King



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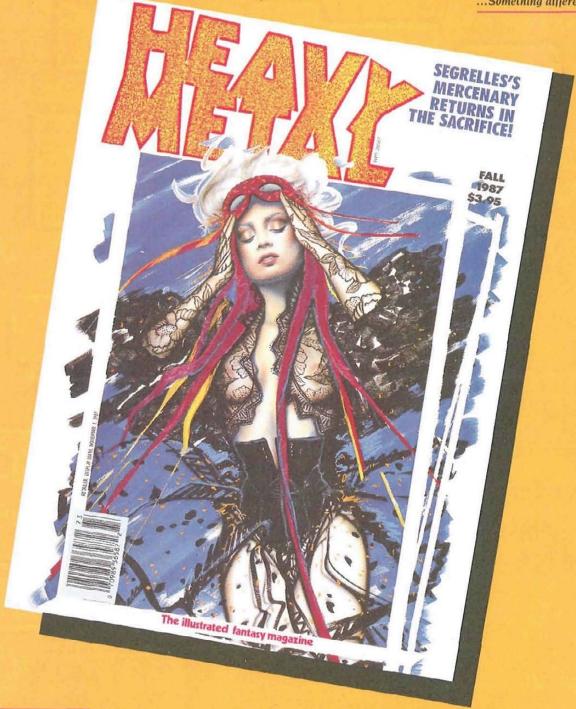


Farmers in Poland say they're much better off now that Mikhail Gorbachev is allowing Eastern bloc farmers to make their own decisions about which crops to grow. "So tall, so fast," exclaims farmer Ed Zerjavi. "These dandy lion things are great!" —M.J.

massive slab of aged ham Brian Dennehy seem to expand with every passing performance?...Here, sift your hand through this bowl of loose jism....Oh come on, it'll be fun....Had quite a heart-to-heart with Daryl Hannah the other day. That little gal has the intelligence of a purebred Irish setter after a horrible garage-door accident involving most of the cranium....Let's be frank, you and I: do you ever dream that Morton Downey Jr. is gently gnawing on your earlobe and reading you the poetry of W. H. Auden as a teen runaway shoots up in the bathroom of your highwaymotel room?... Thank God, I thought it was just me....Gotta run, but on my way out let me just share this thought: who are you and who told you you could bring that into the rumpus room?...I'm Larry King and I'll be back next time with those pictures we talked about.

-N. B.

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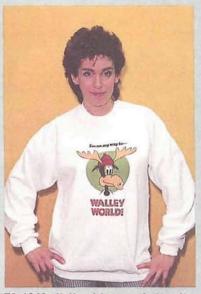
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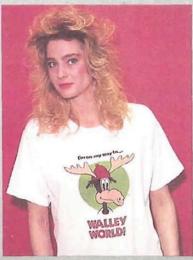




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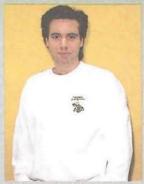
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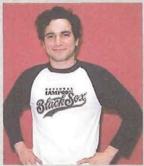
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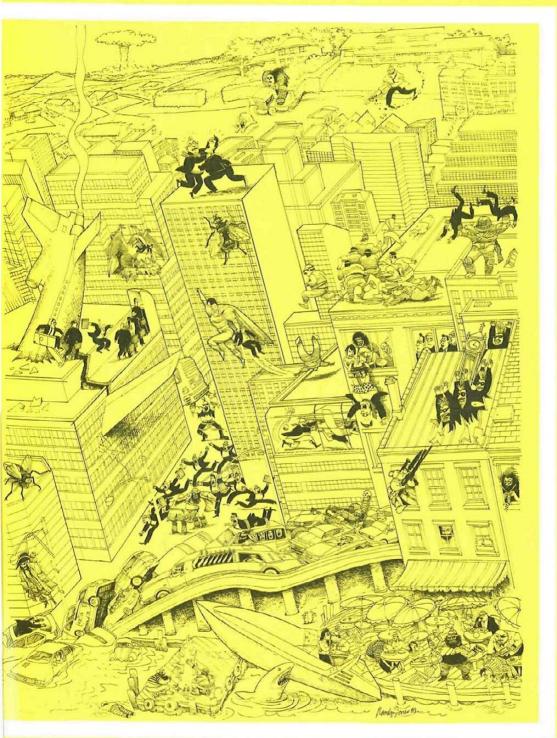
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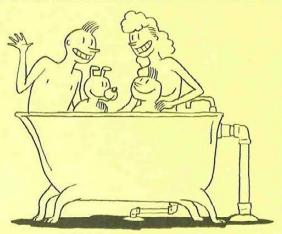
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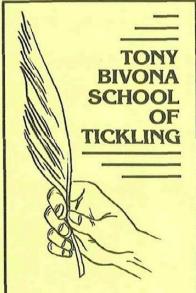
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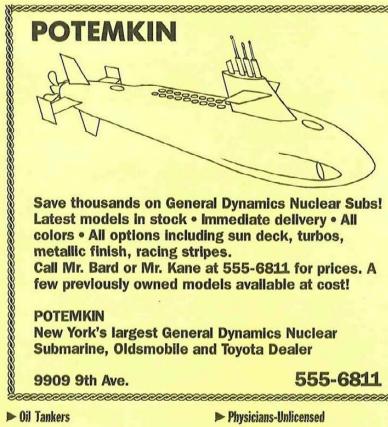
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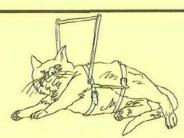
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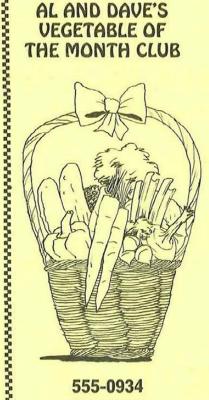
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Editor's Note: In its August 1988 issue, *Playboy* magazine ran an article entitled "The Great Palimony Caper." The article was a scathing behind-the-scenes look at former Playmate and Hef live-in lover Carrie Leigh, who, coincidentally, had just filed a \$35 million-dollar lawsuit against Hefner for palimony. The article had to be severely edited at the last minute because the art director had miscalculated the column breadth of Miss August's breasts. The *National Lampoon* was lucky enough to obtain the original galleys, and we are proud to present the parts left out of

## THE GREAT PLAYBOY WARS

### HOW AN UNGRATEFUL SLUT TRIED TO HOLD UP HEF FOR \$35 MILLION

By the editors of *Playboy* 

HIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO, an unassuming, pipe-smoking, bathrobe-clad genius fathered a new magazine, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that American men (and women who wore lumberjack shirts) would devour long articles on libertarian philosophy and obscure fiction pieces as long as they were sandwiched between photo spreads of

the girl next door with her clothes off.

Millions of dollars later, his prescient periodical vision confirmed, Hugh M. Hefner retreated to his own Taj Mahal, the Playboy Mansion West, where he committed his time and vast resources to a humanitarian medical project: advancing the primitive field of plastic surgery.

"This guy is a modern-day Schweitzer," says Dr. Mark Abrams, current holder of the Hugh M. Hefner Chair of Liposuction at the Beverly Hills Cosmetic Surgery Center. "He would bring us these young, homeless

waifs who were cosmetically disadvantaged and then throw hundreds of thousands of dollars into rehabilitation and research. You'd be amazed at how many breasts are out there standing up firm and proud because of his support."

Yet today this Pepsi-sipping philosopher is contemplating a scenario so vile it would drive the average human to the depths of despair and anguish. He is being sued for \$35 million by the beneficiary of his latest medical largess, the Bionic Bimbo, Carrie Leigh.

"I can't believe Carrie would do something like this," Hef sighs philosophically. "I gave her everything she ever wanted—facial pecls, buttosuction, designer breasts so beautiful Dr. Lou Miller actually numbered and signed them. I guess now she wants the skin off my back."

Carrie was nineteen when Hef discovered her at a soup kitchen near Watts. Hefner's second-floor secretary, Constance Lusting, remembers that day all too well.

"Hef was ladling out soup—he always did volunteer work like that, incognito, of course—and this skanky-looking hunchback was next in line. I mean this girl looked like the elephant woman —'I'm not an animal, I'm a woman'—huge tumors all over her face, the whole bit. It was all I could do to keep my lunch down. But Hef couldn't keep his eyes off her. He's such a hopeless romantic. It was love at first sight."

"I saw the vulnerable, insecure side of Carrie. It was the 'crippled bird' quality in her. I thought I could help her," says Hefner.

And help her he did: 346,872 stitches later, a new Carrie Leigh was born. Her entire skin was peeled, acid-washed, and relayered. Her hump was removed, her tractor-trailer hips were shaved, and the residue was implanted in the soles of her feet, adding three inches to her height. Scientists at the Raytheon Corporation reconstructed the misshapen ulcerous mass that Hef generously called her "nose." Her olfactory senses were improved to the extent that she could smell the difference between red and black caviar. But this bride of Frankenstein was smelling

she could smell the difference between red and black caviar. But this bride of Frankenstein was smelling something else, something green.

"She moved right in on Hef," says Mark Focus, who took Carrie's Playmate shots. "She was constantly begging him to marry her from day one." But marriage was never on Hef's agenda. He was not only an incurable romantic, he was suffering from a rare, incurable disease.

"Hef suffers from a disease that I was the first to diagnose," says Mansion physician, Dr. Steven Starr. "I call it the 'Menudo syndrome.' He's got an overabundance of T cells that all kind of gang up and attack the libido. The syndrome is manifested by a constant physiological need to change sexual partners. Once a partner reaches a certain age, usually her teens, the sufferer loses any libidinal attachment to her and is driven to seek out a more youthful companion."

Hef lovingly shared his tragic medical condition with Carrie. She reluctantly dropped her marriage demands but then hatched a new, more insidious plot to get the gold.

"Carrie did have an insatiable sexual appetite," recalls *Play-boy*'s West Coast Photo Editor, Donna Tracey, a confidante of the newly gorgeous gold digger. "But the way she went to work on poor Hef it just wasn't her hormones talking, it was premeditated



Carrie Leigh doing what she does best-breaking Hef's bank.



murder."

"Carrie was hung up on this television show," recalls Beulah Sanders, the upstairs domestic at the Mansion. "She just be sitting there in bed, half dressed, eating herself a big bowl of popcorn and watching this science film where they show how the female praying mantis would do her business with the male and then she bite the poor sucker's head off. Imagine that! And I'd say to her, 'Girl, why you just lay there in bed and watch that tape over and over again?' And she just smile real strange and say, 'Practice makes perfect.'"

Hef tried his best to satisfy her obsessive sexual demands, but by the time he realized he was being set up, it was too late. "I was burning my candle at both ends trying to please her," the philanthropist chuckles, looking back on those frenzied days. "I barely had time to down a Pepsi between our pilgrimages to the velvet shores of ecstasy. Something had to give."

Something did. A vein in his head. In March of 1985 Hef had a stroke, an event that would literally change his life. He switched to Diet Pepsi, put away his pipe, and canceled his famous Mansion parties. The sudden solitude seemed to make Carrie snap.

"She went off the deep end after he survived the stroke," recalls Mansion pool boy Bobby Reese. "Then it hit her that there'd be no more orgies. She'd walk around the house like in a daze, mumbling, 'Where's Shel? Where's Jimmy? Where are the guys from the A list?' And one night-I'll never forget this in a million years—I was coming back from cleaning the pool and I saw her going down on the lawn jockey statue out front. I had to pull her head off the damn thing. She thought it was Gary Coleman. She spent the next few weeks in Mount Sinai with lead-paint poisoning, but Hef had it hushed up and the press never found out."

Carrie was discharged from the hospital, and returned to the Mansion. To hasten her recovery, the ever-generous Hef gave her an allowance of \$5000 a day and unlimited use of his Platinum Card. Carrie was allowed to leave the Mansion to go shopping. At least that's what Hef thought.

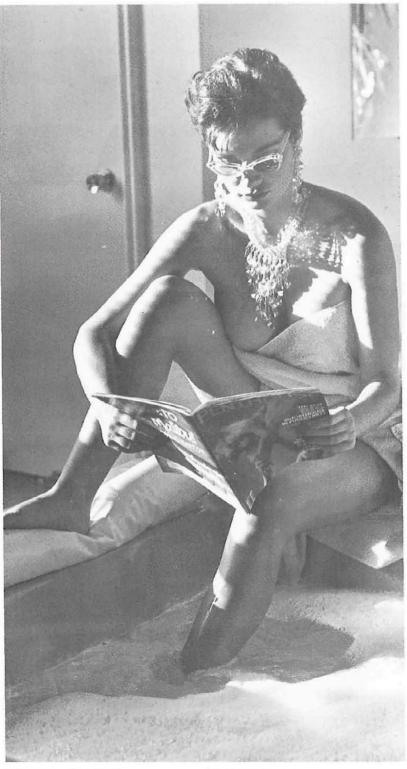
"She was the Freeway Killer," Hef's downstairs Mansion secretary, Phoebe Crease, remembers. "All the time that Hef thought she was power-shopping on Rodeo Drive, she was really tooling around in the limo, shooting at other cars. They finally caught her one day, and Hef actually had to leave the Mansion to go bail her out. But he got the whole thing hushed up. Cost him a lot more than a Russian sable."

Hef grounded Carrie. Until that fateful July day when he reluctantly let her and her close friend/secretary, Kelly, go out for a fast-food lunch. Hours later, he heard the first shocking news reports: twenty-one people killed at a massacre at McDonald's.

"Hef was devastated," says one Mansion regular who wishes to remain anonymous. "But the guy is incredibly resilient. Minutes later, he was already directing the cover-up. Where he got that Huberty guy from, God knows, but the CIA could learn

Above: "Carrie aspired to be an actress, but we were all shocked that she chose the bunny-boiling scene from Fatal Attraction for her auditions."—Uta Hagen, Playmate drama coach. Right: "With what that gold digger spent a week on underwear that she never wore, we could have kept the clubs open for another year and paid Rickles and Nipsey Russell to headline."—Morris Gevalt, CPA, Playboy Enterprises.





a thing or two from him."

Carrie had done enough to try the patience of a saint, but Hef was still forgiving. In fact, he sent Carrie on an all-expensespaid trip around the world in an attempt to help her "clear her head." She lugged fortytwo suitcases stuffed with clothes and cosmetics onto the Concorde and she was off. First stop, Europe.

The R and R seemed to be doing Carrie good. She went shopping in Paris, skiing in Switzerland, gondoliering in Venice. Then she headed for Russia. She got a suite in Moscow's most exclusive tourist hotel and then took a tour. To Chernobyl.

"Miss Carrie Leigh was out of control,"

reports *Playboy*'s Moscow correspondent Ivan Denovitch. "She was drinking champagne all the way down on the Intourist bus and mixing it with many Quaaludes. When the group entered the facility, she could barely stand. She had to lean against the wall so she wouldn't fall. Then she started throwing a tantrum, shouting many bad things about Mr. Hefner. She took this very large diamond ring he had generously given her off her finger and smashed it against a control panel. Suddenly, smoke started pouring out of the room and many sirens went off. That was how she caused the meltdown."

Evacuated back to the safety of the Mansion, Carrie became the precipitator of another international scandal. It seems that she had used so much hairspray on her trip that she had triggered a massive depletion of the ozone layer. In fact, she was about to be publicly censured by the United States Subcommittee on Global Environmental Affairs until Hef made a very sizable donation to UNICEF, and the scathing ozone report was shelved.

At last, Hef could breathe easy. Or so he thought. Just days after the ozone debacle, he received a phone call from the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta. After years of research, they had finally tracked down the person responsible for originating the dreaded AIDS virus. Typhoid Carrie.

"That was the last straw," Hef's thirdfloor secretary, Lisa Lovejoy, remembers. "Apparently, while she was living in the streets, before Hef saved her, she broke into the primate lab in UCLA and got it on with the animals. One of the monkeys was from Africa, and that's how the virus got into the human population. It really freaked Hef out when he heard about it."

Although she herself was not suffering from the disease, Hef generously offered to build Carrie her own guesthouse/hospice on the Mansion grounds, but she held out for a beach house in Malibu. Hef, worried that the sea breezes might somehow strain her immune system, denied her request. Carrie marched right over to legal beagle Marvin "Night Moves" Mitchelson, and their absurd \$35 million palimony suit was launched.

A few months later, it was over. Carrie Leigh suddenly dropped her suit, moved to New York, and married what appeared to be a young man. Over Mitchelson's protests, she dropped her suit. It was a victory for romantics everywhere, but especially for the shy, lovable, sensitive, former pipesmoking one that signs our paychecks.

Above: "She's a real bimbo." — Jessica Hahn, new Playboy Mansion bimbo. Right: "Let's face it—the very fact that after all that woman did to him, my son has never taken a twelve-gauge shotgun to her head is testimony to that man's saintliness!" — Gladys Hefner, Hef's mom.



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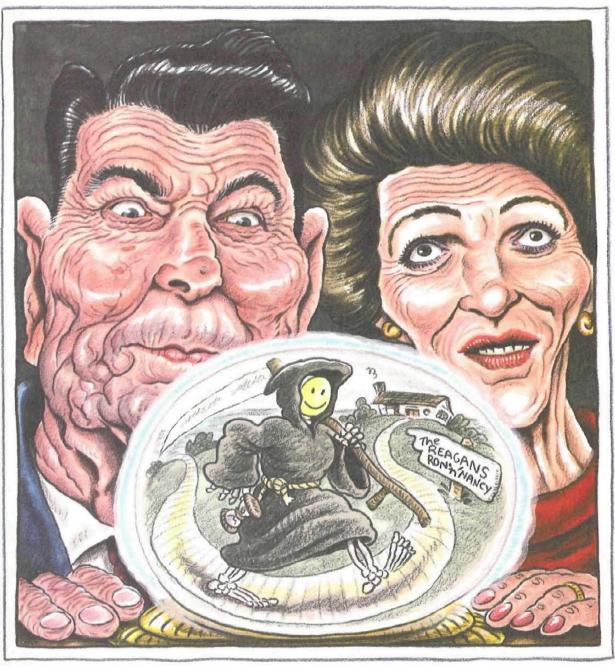
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Author's warning: This is a nasty article. If you love Ronald Reagan or picketed Martin Scorsese's last film, you had better not read it.

Welcome, readers, to the President Bozo article. Let us take a quick look together at our great leader, and I'll share some thoughts with you in an easy-to-read way that befits your abilities. Let us now, at the end of eight years, step back, wipe away a tear of joy, and all together cry out

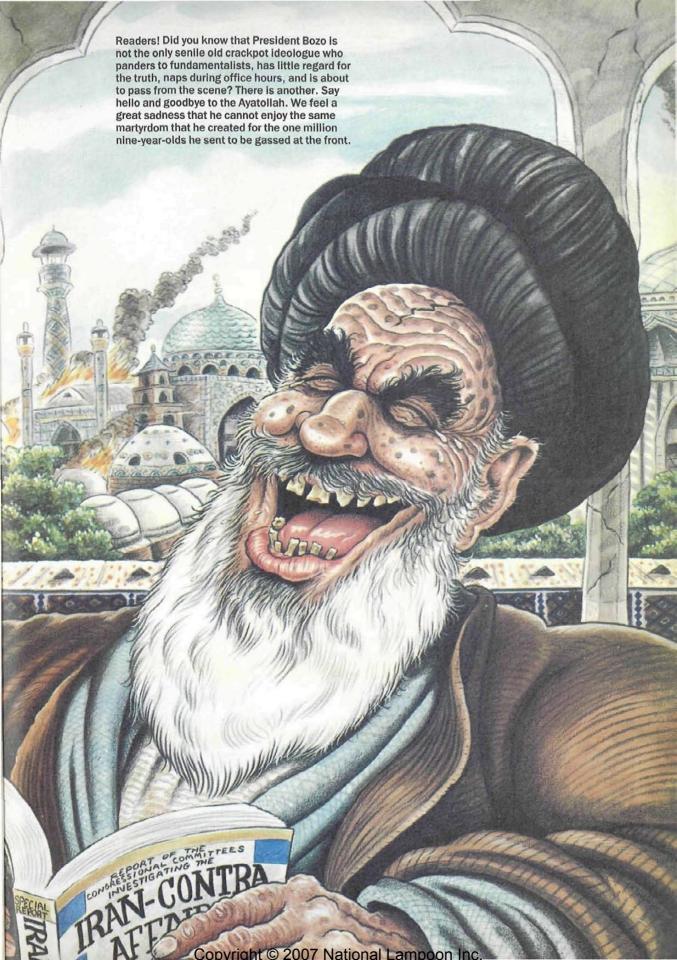
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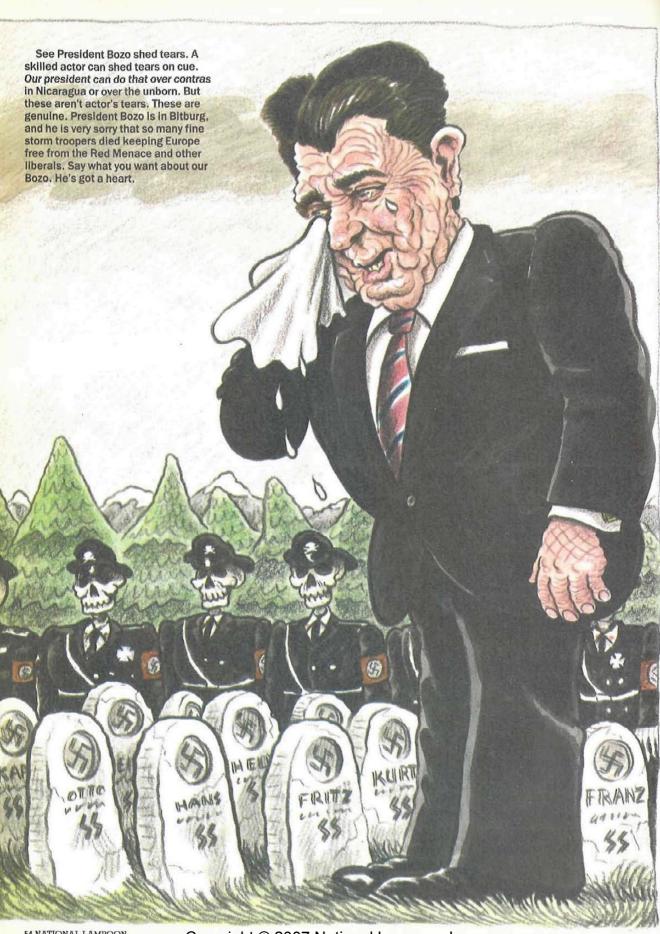
by Rick Meyerowitz



This drawing shows President Bozo and Nancy. They are looking into the crystal ball their astrologer left them. What do you think they see? The unborn? No, silly. The future. And, oh-oh, they're going to get a visitor. Real soon. Look, readers, it's Mr. Death.

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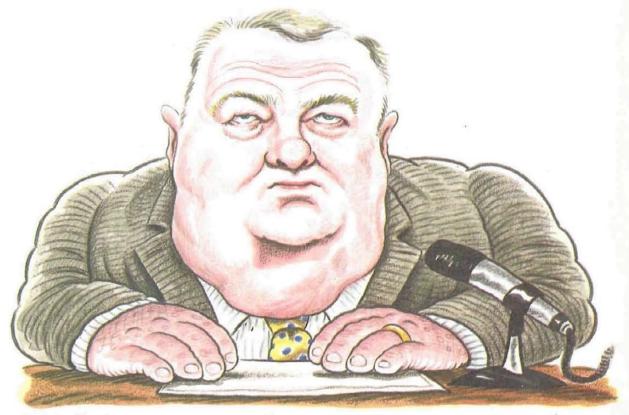




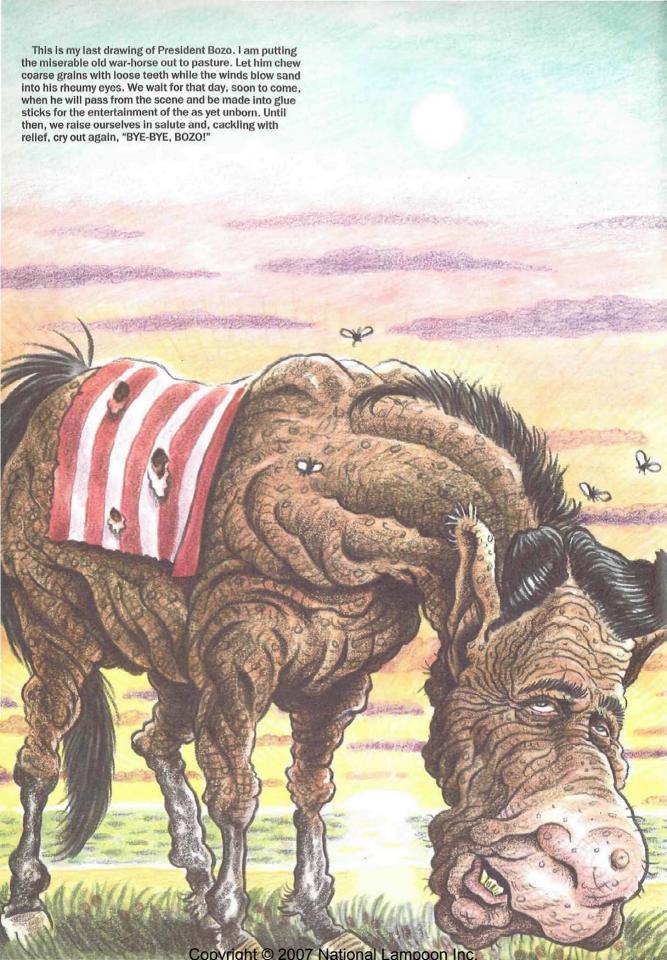
There are millions of God-fearing unborn qualified to be Supreme Court justices and others that just need the protection of the Court. That is why President Bozo picked Judge Bork and Judge Dork. He knew they would protect the rights of the unborn until the moment the unborn were born. Then, especially if they were black, Hispanic, or poor, Bork and Dork would give it to them with both barrels!



Readers, remember James Watt? He didn't like trees or liberal conservationists or the Beach Boys. But he loved God and America and the unborn. He loved America so much he and God cut down all the trees so he could see it better. Then he and God discovered that the born were using the land to hike in and camp on and not paying for it! This made God and James Watt very angry. He sold the land to developers. They turned it into rubble and James Watt retired. It must be very comforting to have God on your side.



This is President Bozo's oldest, dearest unindicted friend, Ed Meese. The president loves Ed because Ed is pink and soft and round and even a little wet, just like the unborn. He also has a closed mind and can't remember a damn thing, just like the president. And just like the president, he was unqualified for his job. Americans are a very generous people. We knew all this and we still voted them in. Twice!



### Remembering

## Reagan's Best Years

(Somebody Has To)

Will Durst was the Under Secretary of Intercontinental Influence and Special Interest Sales in the Reagan administration. He is currently a stand-up comedian. This article is adapted from his memoirs of the Reagan years, *Just Say No (to Any Tough Questions from a Grand Jury)*.

t's over. Ding-dong, the dork is dead. But we're alive and it feels good. We survived the Reagan years. The nuclear cowboy never nodded out and fell on the button. Sure, sure, we'll be held in the same contempt as the Germans in the thirties, but so what—we'll be breathing functional carbon units and we'll be able to read about it and laugh. Ha-ha.

We got off easy. No limited nuclear warfare, no partial total destruction. Just a widening gap between the very very rich and the very very poor, one of the prerequisites for every revolution the world has ever seen. But it might be a little tough explaining to our kids how we sold them into debtors' prison because we were being sweet-talked by a criminally stupid, senile old fart who was nothing more than a ruddy-cheeked hand puppet to his swinishly corrupt corporate buddies, who quieted us with VCRs and cellular telephones.

Unemployment is down: they changed the formula that makes up the final percentage figures, and the work force is made up of people in sub-minimum-wage service jobs. If this continues, we'll have an economy based on people delivering pizzas to one another. "How do you want your change? In pepperoni?" Make the Domino's Noid the Secretary of Labor.

The ozone is deteriorating before our very eyes. The poles have blowholes, for chrissake, and does Reagan put restrictions on chlorofluorocarbon emissions? No, he tells us to wear hats and sunblock. Who lobbied him on this? The association of dermatologists? Some militant rebel wing of the morticians' union? Coppertone? And he vetoed the clean water bill. Vetoed the

clean water bill! What was going through his tiny little mind? "Clean water, hunh, well, I don't know, I'll have Nancy sacrifice a goat and paw through the entrails. And now, introducing the newest member of the Cabinet, Countess Zenda."

He could be loonier than we ever imagined. In comparison, Caligula was a distinguished statesman, and he appointed a horse to the Senate—but of course, Uncle Ron picked Bush. Prompting the thought that no matter who Bush chooses as a running mate, it's bound to be a better choice than Reagan made. And don't worry about Shrub carrying on Ron's policies. Saying Bush is Reagan without the charm is like saying the desert is like the beach without water. The public wants a fraud they can believe in.

The Reagan Cabinet should have had their photos taken with stockings over their heads. We should never have driven these hundred-plus poisoned toads out of office -at least there we were able to keep an eye on them. Most of these pus warts are lurking around in the private sector now-the ones not in jail, that is. To remember Reagan's staff, Nancy's going to have to put together a scrapbook of mug shots; the reunion tour will have to be cleared by a parole board. Michael Deaver's perjury defense was that he was drunk. "How do you plead?" "Juiced out of my skull, Your Honor." Maybe that'll be our plea in the court of historical review. We were drunk on the heady fumes of unaccountability.

Ed Meese—rhymes with congealed grease—a graduate of the Spiro Agnew School of Scum, managed the Justice Department like a barbecue-takeout window for his privileged cronies. This cheesebag admitted he read the Iraqui pipeline memo

that outlined the Israeli bribe, but he said the words didn't register. This is the guy who theorized if we can pay farmers not to grow wheat, why not pay the homeless not to eat, it wouldn't be a long-term program. The Post Office test-marketed a stamp with Messe's face on it but they found that too many people spat on the wrong side. Judging by the trail of slime he left behind, I think the way they got him out of office was by threatening to throw some salt on his face, although it looks like they already tried that with Noriega.

It's hard to imagine why Reagan didn't appoint Waldheim to his Cabinet. Maybe Kurt can job out his services to the Israelis as a consultant on their Palestinian problem.

Duvalier's in the south of France, Marcos is in Hawaii—boy, we really know how to punish these tyrannical despots. You think Noriega's having nightmares about Tahiti? We tried to smoke him out of Panama by forcing him to run it on a deficit, and you know what that means: four more years.

This same Justice Department now suspects the Teamsters are linked to the Mob. They suspect. They're also inclined to believe that fire is hot, but they're not sure. The Teamsters' spokesman, Vinnie "Three Toes" Mancusiatti, was quoted as saying, "Yeah, like they got proof, that floats."

I'm going to miss the Ronster, the man who nominated Bork as a moderate (and Manson was just cranky). Of course, you've got to remember I'm a comedian and Reagan's done for political humor what the microwave did for appliance stores. If most presidents are figureheads, Reagan was a hood ornament. The first living brain donor. The inventor of the eighteen-hour

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nap. And then it turned out Larry Speakes made up half the stuff that Reagan was quoted as saying, but Reagan never knew it because the only thing he reads in the newspapers are comics. And so our foreign policy was being charted by a man who got his primary daily briefing from Garfield. I suppose Odie was in charge of Central America, and now the Ode-man wants more in aid for the contras. (Humanitarian aid, which means the rounds aren't steeljacketed.) Why? Because Ortega talks to Moscow? If we give money to the guys who are trying to kill him, where's he supposed to go for aid? Wheel of Fortune? "Grande pesos, grande pesos. Yeah, Pat, I'll take the Stinger, the surface-to-air missile, the F-14 Tomcat, and the rest in a Gucci gift certificate."

Reagan blew up Qaddafi's house and then went on TV and said, "Well, we weren't trying to kill him." Ron, you blew up his house—where the dude lives. Whaddya saying, it was a wake-up call? Boom boom, Muammar, rise and shine.

Reagan gave us yuppies, Reagan gave us greed, Reagan gave us slogans. "It's morning in America." "Wake up and smell the burning toast, dude." "Just say no." "Hey, man, you sure you want to do another line?" "No." "Zero tolerance." After we put up with his proselytizing for eight years, he drops the drug charges on Noriega and ignores his drug-running freedom fighters' illegal activities. I guess Nancy loves a man in uniform. An example of the Reagan administration's knowledge of drugs is

McFarlane trying to O.D. on Valium. The yellow ones. The fives. You might as well try to O.D. on St. Joseph's children's aspirin. "You gotta take enough, that's all."

Iran-contra was where the Teflon president finally met his metal spatula. Selling arms to Iranian moderates for hostages. What the hell is an Iranian moderate? A Shiite who ran out of bullets? Remember Poindexter, the nuclear physicist who couldn't recall squat? If they wanted an absent-minded professor, they should have gotten Fred MacMurray. And then all roads led to Casey. "He did it; no, he did it; no, the dead guy did it. Yeah, that's him!" The whole affair was ludicrous: the president was sedated, the head of the CIA had a lobotomy, even Ludlum wouldn't fly with this shit. But America did.

America wanted Ollie North for president. "I promise to protect and defend all the parts of the Constitution that I agree with." Ollie actually said, out loud, that lies are essential to a covert action. Well, that explains it, the Reagan administration was a covert action. But nobody bothered to tell Ronnic, because he was too big a security risk. Nancy never debriefed him... Didja notice how strangely silent Ron got during the Hollywood screenwriters' strike?

This is the guy we let negotiate with Gorbachev. That's like sending Don Knotts into the ring with Mike Tyson. Not even the New Jersey fight commission would sanction this bout.... What if Ronnie'd had an original thought and his head had exploded like in Scanners—"Y'know what I think,

Mikhail..." BAM! "Unh, I'll be right with you, Gorby, don't worry, this has happened before. Hey, Ivan, I'll give you a pair of jeans for that piece of scalp you're standing on there."

But no matter what you think of his policies, you've gotta admire his ability not to get involved in them. He was some piece of work, Reagan was. When he got shot, he didn't realize it. That scared me. Call me wacky, but I like a president with a central nervous system.

You couldn't kill this guy. Cancer all over his body. Every six months: colon, nose, colon, nose. You figure it out. They even found a spot of cancer on George Bush's nose. Confirms what I always suspected—that George never learned the lesson of the 213 area code. The difference between a brownnose and a shithead is depth perception.

Reagoid's helicopter was in a nearmiss and his staff said he never knew. No! Reagan not knowing stuff going on around him? But it makes you wonder-what does it take to get this guy's attention? A twotrillion-dollar deficit didn't do it. Maybe it has to be something basic, like a bowel movement. That would explain all those weird little smiles during his press conferences. You watch, now that his term is over, he's going to start popping up in Depend commercials. "And now Ronald Reagan, former president and diaper wearer." "Well, on my heavy days, I use the doublefold." And I think that's how I want to remember him, with a load in his pants.



President Reagan and close adviser Will Durst in happier times.

## 1988 Presidential Study on the Sexuality of **America's Homeless**

Submitted by the President's Committee for Resourceful Understanding of Pressing Social Issues (P.C.F.R.U.O.P.S.I.) in Association with the Department of the Press Secretary Dave Hanson, Assistant Press Secretary

#### The Committee and Its Assignment

When the President's Committee for Resourceful Understanding of Pressing Social Issues (P.C.F.R.U.O.P.S.I.) was ordered to submit a departmental report to the Presidential Commission on Matters of Socio-Demographic Import (P.C.O.M.O.S.-D.I.) upon the issue of the sexuality of America's homeless, the members of the committee were unsure of what to expect.

No previous report on this topic had been filed governmentally; additionally, a search of academic records and even periodicals indicated that no research material had been submitted in that area.

The committee understood the gravity of its assignment; it is a sociological truism that to fully understand a society or societal enclave, its sexuality must be studied, and we knew that as groundbreakers, we would set the tone for scores of future researchers.

#### The Results

There was no way the committee could have been prepared for the bizarre behavioral patterns of this socioeconomic group—a strange, thriving subculture that puts more stake in its sexuality than it does in food, clothing, and shelter combined.

Ultimately, the homeless as a group are so obsessed with their sexuality that they don't have time for employment, and though federal benefits would allow them to afford a place to live, many members of the homeless community are so vocally exuberant during sexual performance that they have been blacklisted by landlords. Further, the only reason their clothing appears old and tattered is that it is worn out from such frequent undressing.

The truth is, the condition of homelessness yields tremendous sexual benefits. By saving on rent, homeless people are able to afford more olive loaf, which they regard as a powerful aphrodisiac; and their seduction rituals are greatly simplified by their being able to circumvent the ordeal of coaxing a prospective partner back to their apartment—they just unfurl their bedroll or unfold a piece of cardboard and a horse blanket, throw some sumac in the fire barrel for ambience, and their world is stoked for romance.

It is clear that a woman does not need a basement with a furnace to have a fire down below. and a man does not need a roof over his head to have a tentpole in his trousers.

#### **Public Relations and Public** Misconceptions

The true extent of the homeless obsession with sexuality emerged via a revelation about the homeless in general: that they are actually a wealthy and elitist social group which decided that a façade of poverty and repulsiveness was the best way to prevent the streets from becoming overly congested and to protect the "under the stars" ambience that they so crave. By having each member of the community performing such public relations tasks as panhandling, wiping car windows with greasy rags, and eating at soup lines on holidays, the public misconception of the homeless as being needy and impoverished could be perpetuated indefinitely, and they

would be able to live, and practice their often bizarre sexuality, in peace and privacy.

While their sexual appetites would, in any society, be considered healthy, the sexual practices of the homeless are odd enough to qualify as deviant in almost any civilization. Following are some of the abnormal methods by which the homeless expend their abnormally high hormone levels.

#### Courtship

Just as a well-placed dab of Chanel No. 5 is capable of unraveling the resolve of even the most stoic head of state in the world, so can a dollop of Eau de Toilette No. 2 irrevocably stir the hormones of a homeless Romeo.

In fact, while the act of courtship in normal society is based primarily on visual stimuli, wooing among the homeless is largely governed by the extrusion of compatible fragrances, a heady bouillabaisse of odors.

Indeed, while an ordinary observer might look over at that door stoop and see a mummi-



Exhibit A from the Presidential Study on the Sexuality of America's Homeless: These classified photographs verify the fact that panhandling is merely a public relations ploy designed to propagate the public misconception of neediness and guarantee continued isolationism. Homeless communities generally supplement individual wealth with government benefits and the contributions of civic action groups; any money accumulated while begging is considered windfall and is divided among various charities and a Club Med vacation fund.

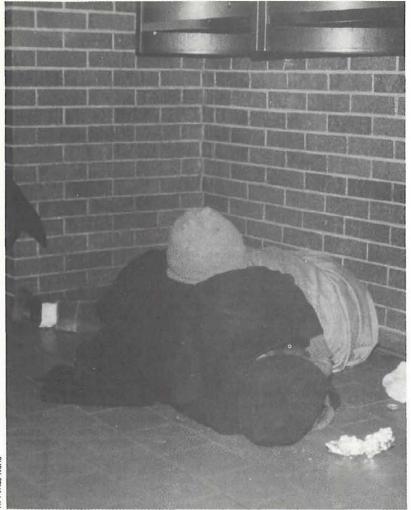


Exhibit B from the Presidential Study on the Sexuality of America's Homeless: A homeless couple is shown recuperating blissfully from a thirty-six-hour pleasure marathon. The homeless believe that slumber in the yin/yang position is the most rejuvenative, as the loop formed by body contact induces an unbroken, synergistic flow of hormonal molecules, allowing the sleeper to awaken refreshened and ready for renewed sexual activity.

fied-looking pile of grimy tarpaulins that smell of defecation and urination and perspiration and duck butter, all heaped on a human warming pad of wet moldy bread and cat spray, to a connoisseur this is a lover intimating his or her arousal by exuding an intricate series of olfactory signals.

When a homeless man or woman picks up a fragrance that is compatible with his or her own, like the odor of a decaying limb or lymph system, one party will articulate his or her attraction via an elaborate series of incoherent mutterings or an action indicative of attraction, like running in the street and spitting and screaming at passing motorists.

#### Foreplay

The act of a homeless woman undressing and unpeeling her numerous strata of sweaters, shirts, coats, long underwear, and other garments serves as a tantalizing lingering striptease, guaranteed to incite her partner to an altitudinous level of arousal. For the woman, if her man's excitement does not arouse her osmotically, the sheer strenuousness of removing and flaying all those clothes generates enough body heat to stimulate the necessary lubrication for the sex act.

If a couple craves additional foreplay, the man will lick at the woman's breast hard and long enough so that his cleaning tongue will enable him to distinguish the nipple from the rest of the breast.

#### Tom Jones

As do many sexual connoisseurs, many members of the homeless enjoy combining the sensual experiences of eating and sex. The most common method of mixing food and sex for the homeless is very different than it is for those of us who live in apartments and condos and houses, and eat caviar and candied fruit and

fluffy meringues off scapy-clean bodies. The food/sex experience for the homeless is generally a group-sex experience, with one person serving as a soup kitchen, his or her naked body piled high with bologna sandwiches and other freshly found food, the bellybutton used as a mustard tureen.

#### Bondage & Domination

Frequent indulgence in this practice is the reason so many homeless people wheel around shopping carts and shopping bags. The carts are employed in the traditional manner of stockades, with the holes originally intended for a child's legs accommodating the arms of the dominated partner, whose wrists are then tightly secured with the handles of shopping bags. The whole rig is then lashed to a tree or lamppost, rendering the submissive party achingly vulnerable to the torturous, twixt-grill probings of pigeon feathers, busted-off car antennas, grimy appendages, and salad gaffs.

#### Homosexuality

Although the primary differences between homeless homosexuals and their housed counterparts are cultural and social, there are also differences in the areas of communication, especially in the indexing of codes by which preferences are expressed—most specifically their variations on the popular gay hankie code. If the bulk of defecation in a homeless homosexual's trousers has accumulated in his left leg, it indicates dominance; the right leg means submissive.

#### **Sexual Fantasy**

Without television or reading lamps or jobs to fill their days, the fantasy lives of the homeless are perhaps richer than those of any other social group. While the homeless have unique Walter Mitty tendencies in many areas, such as daydreaming about finding a book of Hardee's gift certificates or a Hefty bag full of empty cans to return for deposit, the bulk of their fantasy life is, as with most people, devoted to sexual fantasies.

What do the homeless have sexual fantasies about?

Many are truly bizarre, ranging even into the seduction of people with homes. Tom, thirty-six, says: "My favorite fantasy involves a woman whom I meet in the park. She brings me to her house. It is beautiful, with central heating, and she really cranks it up. We begin eating soup, with chunks of meat and fresh vegetables, then sandwiches piled high with baloney—Boar's Head—and drinking Harveys Bristol Cream. After I finish my drink, she drops some coins in the glass. I check it, and it's all quarters. I smile, and she gives me a knowing wink. We have sex and then she makes more soup, which she serves with a very fresh, tender white bread. I decide that while I'm in this beautiful house I want to relieve myself in warmth and comfort one time. I do, and it feels terrific, and afterward I go in the bathroom and empty my trousers into the john. Then we make love again, and she serves hot apple pie and Irish whiskey."

#### The Hottest Night of the Week

While the homeless remain vibrantly libidinous every day and night, the undisputed highlight of every week is their Sunday-night orgy. Held late on Sunday because of the comparative quiet on the streets, the occasion is a tidal wave of sexual activity.

Members of the community bring dishes high in aphrodisiac qualities—favorites are olive loaf, cysters in season, ragweed and other hardy perennials, and fresh pigeon.

The group assembles in a designated subway station, the pigeons and olive loaf are cooked to a turn on the third rail, a giant hookah containing dried dandelion greens—regarded as a highly potent aphrodisiac—is lit up, and the bacchanalia commences.

The Sunday-night orgies often feature special homeless themes, such as the "Cock Hop," in which everyone dresses in clothes manufactured in the 1950s, and "Beetles Weekend," in which dung beetles are applied to the honeyed genitalia of group members, affording them a unique and torturous manner of arousal.

#### Conclusion

When President Reagan recently made the statement that most people are on the street because they want to be, he was greeted with howls of outrage. But he was right. Call him a visionary, or an anthropologist savant, but he was dead right.

And in retrospect, it makes perfect sense. How could anyone who wanted to eat possibly go hungry with all the free food at book parties and art openings? How could anyone who wants a home not have one, when the real estate listings in the Sunday paper take up two full sections?! And jobs?! All these people would have to do is pull the newspapers out of their shoes and look at the Help Wanteds. There are hundreds of high-paying jobs available in exciting areas like industrial architecture, aeronautical engineering, and many more.

Obviously, the homeless problem could be remedied simply by dosing them with saltpeter. But why bother? By presenting the public with a terrifying image of the grimy, repulsive consequences of capitalist failure, they have helped push unemployment to an all-time low.

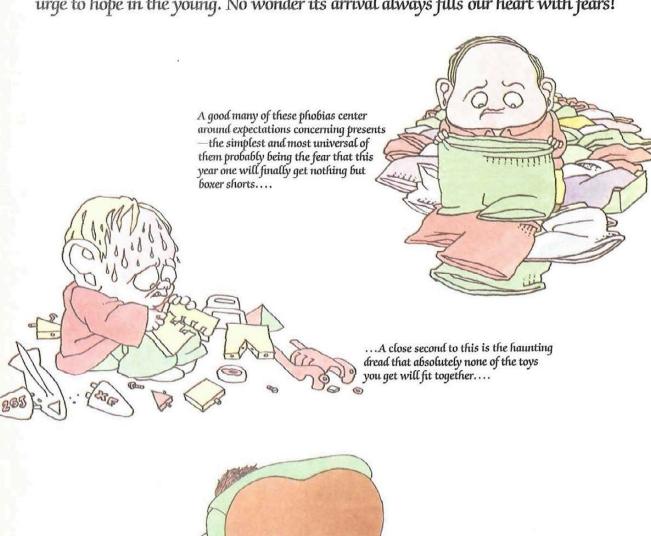
Indeed, the homeless problem is not a problem at all, but rather a positive social situation which is beneficial to all, and which any government in the world would be happy to have on its shores.



Exhibit G from the Presidential Study on the Sexuality of America's Homeless: Photographic evidence of the "red light" district of the homeless community. Due to the disproportionate number of males in homeless society, all females must perform ten hours of community service a week, during which they work the so-called homeless bordellos.

#### Written and Illustrated by Gahan Wilson

It is fortunate that Christmas—the adults' annual reminder to children that they are totally dependent on the whims of big people—only comes but once a year, because it's highly unlikely any kid could survive more than one of them per year. Everything about the holiday—from the insane greed and duplicity it is fuendishly designed to breed in the hearts of innocents all the way to its cruel use of that most tricky and terrifying of father figures, Santa—is set up to raise, then bash down, and finally warp forever the urge to hope in the young. No wonder its arrival always fills our heart with fears!



...And the third fundamental dread, perhaps the one most solidly based on reality, is that no matter what toys you get, your father will hog them all and never let you play with any of them.

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Humiliation is, of course, fundamental to Christmas and to presents. There is the horrible possibility that even if you do get a good present you will succeed in making a miserable mess of it, possibly best represented by making a fool of one-self with your swell new magic kit....

... Then there is the possibility that some present will actually be as good as you hoped it would be and, therefore, dangerous. With the ideal chemical set, for instance, a kid would be able to destroy the world, starting with himself.

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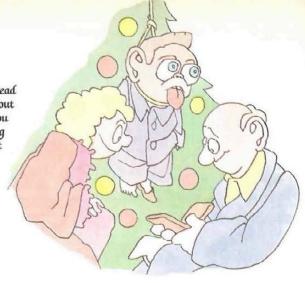
Your relationship with your parents is totally bound up with the whole notion of presents, of course. There is always the lurking fear that this year they will really do something serious about your sneaking into their closet to check out the package trove....



...And because you know, deep in your heart, that the presents you got for them are cheap and tacky because you're an ungrateful little snot, you are always understandably fearful that this time they will run out of patience with you and tell you what they really think about all that shit you've been fobbing off on them through the years....



...But perhaps the most degrading dread of all is that you will feel so awful about not getting the laser destroyer tank you asked everybody for that you will hang yourself from the Christmas tree right in front of everyone, and no one will even notice!!!





There are any number of other fears clustered around the joyous event. One is that this year your baby brother will eat pine needles—since, of course, you'll ask him to do it again—and it will turn out that the grown-ups are right, that Christmas trees are deadly poison, and he will foam at the mouth and die, and everyone will know you made him do it....

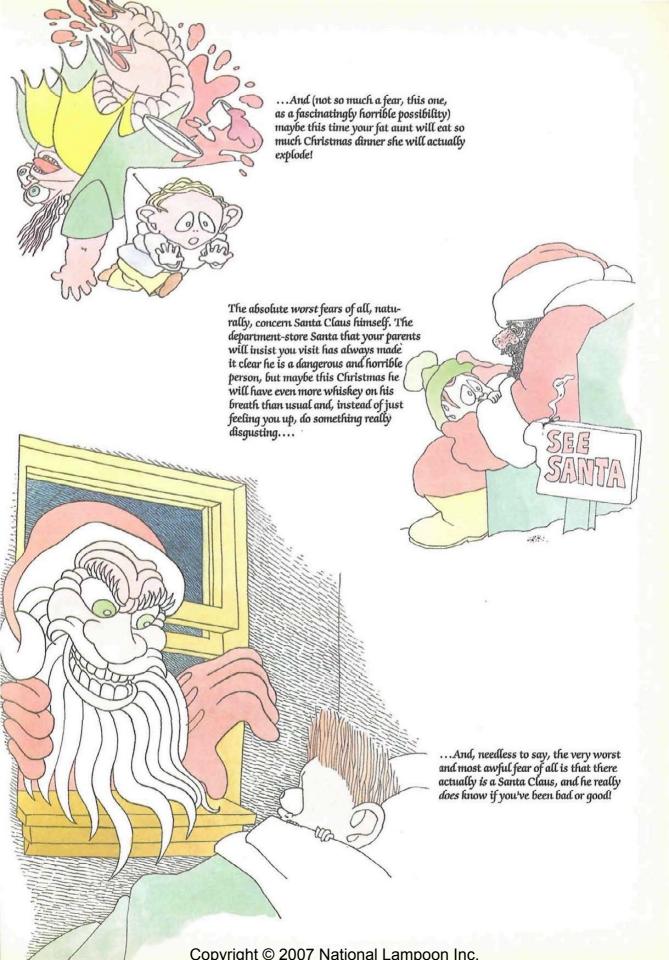


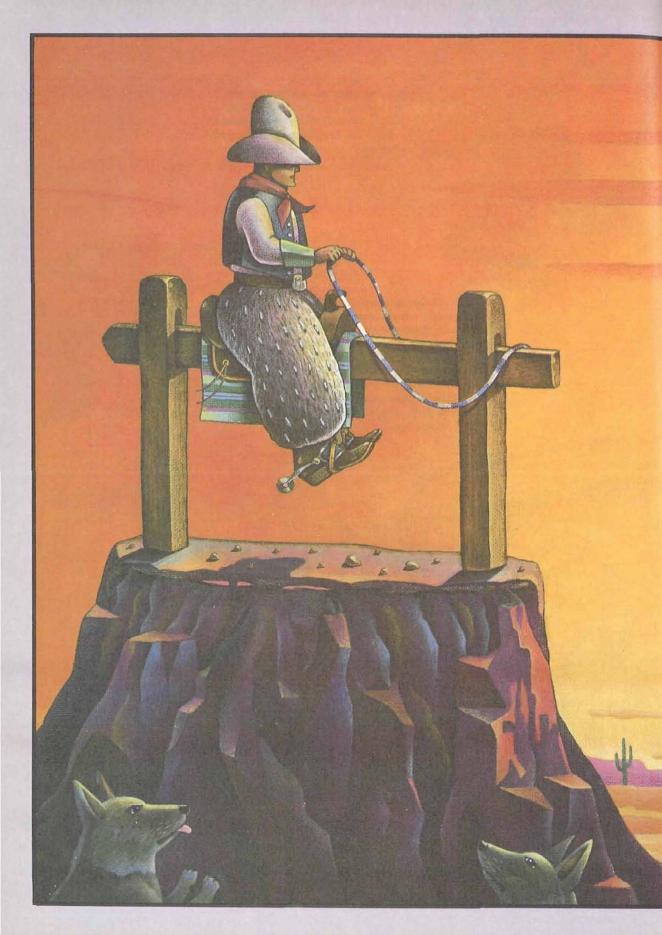
...And maybe this year the thing that's down in the basement storage area will get you when you're sent down there to bring up the ornaments even after you've told everybody how dangerous it will be to do it....



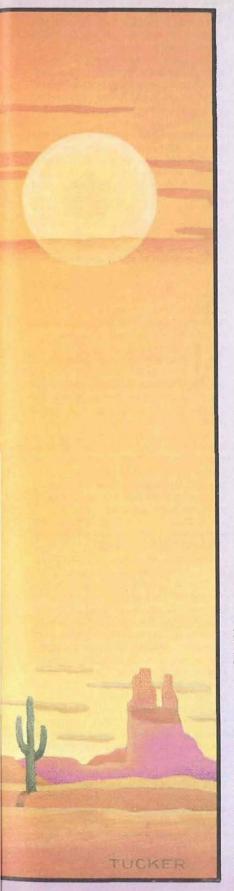
...And maybe this year the grown-ups will all get so totally out-of-control drunk that they actually end up killing each other.

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## THE LONESOME BOYS' BANCH

by Richard Boler Illustrated by Tom Tucker

oonpuppy is what all the other 'pokes used to call me. As nicknames go, it really wasn't all that

bad. Not very rugged, granted. Given my druthers, as we were apt to say, I would have chosen something more Western and manly—Hopalong or Coyote or Spurs. Leatherdick, maybe.

But, growing up on the Lonesome Boys' Ranch, you learn real quick to hang onto what you're given.

Don't get me wrong. We were never mistreated, or deprived of necessities. The education was crackerjack, the facilities tidy, the hired hands well-groomed and cleanshaven. We chowed down, as it's called, on three squares every day—and although each meal invariably showcased a pasta byproduct, it was always campfire-hot and ladled out with a smile and a friendly how-de-do.

No, what we boys at the Ranch lacked was a comfortable self-image, an identity that a kid could hang his hat on and call his own. Given the circumstances, this seems perfectly natural. I mean, one day there you are, a normal kid, with a mom and dad and a little sister, growing up in suburbia, riding your Huffy, playing Army with your friends, watching Rocky the Flying Squirrel on Saturday mornings...

And then, in the turn of a card, it all vanishes. And you're just another 'poke, riding the lonesome range.

"History is sorcery," Samuel Pepys once wrote, "and memory, magic." Us 'pokes knew how quickly it could all slip away. So you learned to hold fast to anything that rooted you to life. It was like the earth was spinning fast, out of control, and you'd grab hold of a tree to stop from flying off.

Of course, there was a flip side to this. By nature of upbringing, a Lonesome Boy is the wagonmaster of his own destiny, a man skilled at the very American art of re-creating himself. So many of us end up being successful in life precisely because we have no admittable past to constrain us.

Case in point: that Samuel Pepys quote? I made it up. I'm not even sure who Samuel Pepys is, I just thought it sounded cool.

Now, a normal kid wouldn't have been

able to do that. A normal kid would have had to research and verify and annotate and footnote, to attempt to line up history with reality, and memory with truth.

But us Lonesome Boys, we don't give a hoot.

ll of the book l'arnin' at the Ranch was in the hands of a solitary nun who went by the handle Sister Mary Crown-o-Thorns. Like all nuns back in those days, she was of indeterminate age. She could have been forty, she could have been a hundred and ten. She wore the traditional twenty-two pounds of black cloth; the only hair we ever saw was a thin, bristly white mustache that was impossible not to stare at head-on. Sister Mary Crown-o-Thorns rode the range sidesaddle on a horse called Beatitude.

"I don't care about the particulars that brought you here" was her standard speech to new arrivals. "Unfair or not, the fact remains that you are boys, and I am a handmaiden of the Lord. There is much work to do. Please open your desks and take out your Latin books. Quietly.'

Sister only had us in the mornings. In the afternoons, after Lunch and Rodeo, we were delivered into the secular hands of the Gambling Establishment for the Hard Knocks portion of our schooling.

It was our keepers' contention that our secluded environment deprived us of certain common sense rules. They felt compelled to teach us skills that they believed a kid learns instinctively while growing up free-so that when we were set loose into the Real World (at nineteen, draft age) we would not be devoured. I think they likened our situation to the lovable lion cubs raised in captivity in Born Free-which was, in fact, our school song.

And so on afternoons of our residence at the Ranch, we were the recipients of workshops and lectures by a never-ending cycle of guest educators.

Frank Sinatra spoke to us one time. This was in '67 or so, though I'm not sure, since calendars were nonexistent at the Ranch. Mr. Sinatra talked to us about racial prejudice, how it didn't make sense to exclude any member of the human race, "be he black, yellow, green, blue, or red. And that's the real skinny."

He brought along his personal friend, Sammy Davis, Jr., or "my little one-eyed monkey," as Mr. Sinatra affectionately called him. Sammy sang "Buttons and Bows" with Mr. Sinatra. It was great. We gave them a Standing O. Mr. Sinatra hugged Guido, our headmaster, then he and Sammy jumped into their helicopter and took off, giving rise to a dust cloud that lingered over the Ranch for days.

Most afternoons were tamer, although equally informative. It was in the afternoons that we learned about Watching Your Back, and Profit-Skimming, and the Difference Between a Nice Girl and a Tramp.

And, of course, Honor. Honor I and II; Advanced Honor; Existential Honor; Honor in the Construction Business; Honor, the Dope Deal, and You....Honor

was a kind of religion to the Italians who, in those days, dominated the Gambling Establishment.

They practiced what they preached. For example, we at the Ranch knew that President Kennedy had been assassinated because he got Judith Exner pregnant and then wouldn't marry her. Italians hate that kind of shit.

Indeed, had it not been for honor, none of us would have been there. The Lonesome Boys' Ranch was certainly not a moneymaking venture. Because of its illegal nature, it couldn't even be used as a tax

But what was the Mob to do when some guy bet his kid in a card game and lost? Say forget it? Oh, that's okay, we don't really expect you to pay up your debts?

Please. To do so would have been catastrophic, a shameful loss of Respect.

And Respect, as everyone knows, is just as important to Italians as Honor.

"Honor. Respect. Since 1921." These were the words inscribed beneath the school crest of my alma mater.

ot everybody had the gumption, as it was called, to survive. It took a special breed of kid to be a Lonesome Boy. It was not unusual to see kids crying continuously for days upon arrival. We used to call them "leakers."

One kid, Skippy Brown, was such a leaker that he had to be attached to an IV saline solution to replace the fluids he lost crying. Skippy cried for about six months straight. You'd see him walking around, pushing his bottle and cart over the rocky paths, bawling his eyes out.

But Skippy eventually straightened out nicely. Today he's the one you people know

as John Cougar Mellencamp.

Other kids were not so lucky. They lacked the wherewithal, so to speak. After you'd lived on the Ranch for a while, you could tell who'd make it and who wouldn't. If a new kid didn't cry at all, if he just walked around in a daze, and if you tried to strike up a conversation and if the only thing he ever said was "I want to go home, if you walked up to him, for example, looked up at the sky, spit, and said, "Reckon we're in for some weather," and he replied, "I want to go home" . . . well, then we knew that kid wasn't long for this world. We knew that within a matter of days or weeks, this kid would wander off the compound, lie down under the stars, and die.

When this happened, we'd give the dead kid a real Lonesome Boy send-off. The men from the Gambling Establishment would fire their snub-nosed revolvers into the sky in tribute. Then we'd raise a barn, just for fun, and hold a service in it. Sister Mary Crown-o-Thorns would deliver the euology, which was always about Death.

Death was a Mexican, she would say, who goes by the name of the Grim Cabal-



lero. He wears a black sombrero and rides a huge black bull. The Grim Caballero is a sad figure, big-hearted but unaware of his horrific powers. Death thinks he is just a Lonesome Boy in a way, riding the range in a sorrowful quest to hang his sombrero.

But the Fates have played a cruel trick on the Grim Caballero—although a full Mexican, Death's vocabulary is limited to the solitary phrase "Buenas noches." And the second that we acknowledge Death's presence, the unwitting Mexican, ever-friendly and eager to please, utters "Buenas noches." And we die. It doesn't matter if you tip your hat, or offer Death a cigarette, or comment on the weather. He will say "Buenas noches."

Sister says that most of us run up against Death many times in our lives. We will see him out of the corner of our eye, but we refuse to acknowledge him, because we know in our hearts what will happen. And the Grim Caballero is just looking for a friend. That's why people die when they get old. The more times you run into Death, the greater the odds that you will slip and say "Howdy" or something.

"Death is just looking for some eye contact," Sister would say.

Lonesome Boys' Ranch that seems to breed success among its graduates. It is our common experience, I think, that gives us a leg up in the Real World, once we finally get out into it. We have a proud, secret tradition of excellence. A Harvard Business School-type of thing. The LBR has contributed a lot to this country. You'd be surprised.

Take David Stockman. Stockman—or Jingles, as he was known to us—was there during my tenure. Jingles was kind of a legend at the Ranch, known more for his ball-handling ability than for any later proven skills as an economic genius. He was an athlete of uncommon talent, one of those kids who know instinctively what to do with any ball they pick up. We always figured he would end up in the major leagues or the NBA. It came as quite a shock when Jingles appeared as a key player in the Reagan administration. All that wasted potential.... Still, I guess he's done all right for himself.

Robert De Niro's another one. Dusty, we called him. Dusty De Niro. Now there was a strange kid. Kept very much to himself, always watching with that piercing gaze of his. He was much too aloof to be popular, or even well-liked. He made a lot of the other 'pokes nervous, the way you'd always catch him just watching you.

I will say this: Dusty had a tremendous dignity about him. He never slammed his father for gambling him away. Dad-slamming was kind of a popular pastime at the LBR, but Dusty just wouldn't talk about it. If you pressed him, he'd say simply, "I'm using it," and then disappear into the bram-

bles for a couple days.

Dave Kingman, Thomas Merton, Sid Caesar, Montgomery Clift, Leon Redbone, Herm "The Worm" Hesse, Eugene McCarthy, John Riggins, Bebe Rebozo, Iggy Pop, J. D. Salinger, the original Curly...all grew up on the Lonesome Boys' Ranch. There's a complicated bond among us, a kind of Man Standing Alone quality that we share.

Sometimes I think that Jesus Christ must have been a Lonesome Boy, too. There was something about that guy. Just in the way he carried himself. He certainly fit the Lonesome Boy profile—sad, lonely, driven. Never being able to fit in anywhere. Cursed with always seeing the Big Picture. Being good at stuff that angers others but gives you no joy.

Having a dad who hands you over to be raised by strangers.

was there in 1961 on the night my father gambled me away on nines and deuces.

"I'll throw in Junior here" were his precise words. I was eleven years old.

My mom and little sister were away that summer, visiting my older sister and her new husband in Bartow, Florida. So my dad would take me down to Herman's Cafe in the evenings, for a couple of hours belly-up at the bar. Then we'd hit the game in the back room.

I watched my dad lay down those deuces and nines, and then Herman his eight-high straight. The room got real quiet. "Oops," my dad said. Someone got up and made a phone call. Two guys came, put a blindfold on me, and rode me out to the airport. I never saw my family again.

It takes a while. You keep expecting your dad to show up at the Ranch and rescue you. You think about home a lot.

I left the Ranch in 1969, on the eve of my nineteenth birthday. It was funny—for years, I'd dreamed about getting out, going back to Erie, walking in on my mom and kid sister, then sitting down on the easy chair with a six-shooter on my lap, waiting for my father to come home.

But a 'poke learns to let that bitterness go, or else'n that hatred turns inward and you gets all twisted up inside. My father had the gambling sickness, a disease that robbed him of good sense and his only son. I'm sure he suffered greatly. Especially when my mom got back from Florida.

When they took the blindfold off and dropped me off in downtown Reno, the only thing I could think about were the complimentary twenty-five-dollar markers in my pocket and the casino across the street.

Things have turned out okay for me. As Under Secretary of the Treasury, I've got the freedom to travel all over tarnation, checking up on the economy and whatnot. People call me "mister." I got my own desk.

But I take none of this too seriously. Lonesome Boys know full well how fast the earth spins. And no matter who you are or think you might be, you can lose it all in a blink, on deuces and nines.



## LIVE FROM THE RUBBER ROOM?

Emo Philips in "A Day at the Park"













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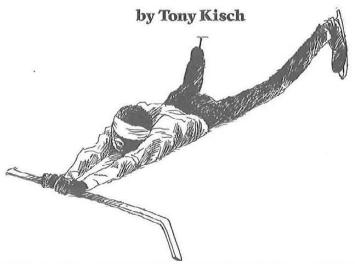




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## Soul on Ice!

# The Untold Story of the Negro Hockey League



he year was 1919. A young and unstoppable Jack Dempsey pounded his way into immortal fame that year by making hamburger out of Jess Willard. A Broadway ne'er-do-well with a mind like a silicon chip and the scruples of a garter snake-one Arnold "The Brain" Rothstein-smeared immortality of a different sort over the Chicago "Black" Sox by managing to fix the World Series. For those interested in hockey, however, that manly art of stick and sinew propelling a hard rubber projectile across an expanse so cold, so unyielding, so pristinely lovely as to belie the brutal, elemental yet strangely noble struggle which rages upon its shimmering surface-for those fans the year 1919 has remained a cipher, as if the game had not been played that year at all. The record books tell us that there was "no decision" for the coveted Stanley Cup that year; in fact, there was one very important thing decided: that future generations would never know and speak of the defeat of the all-white Saskatoon Visigoths at the hands of the all-black underdogs, the East Cicero Neckbones, and that the long, proud history of Afro-American contribution to

the sport would be expunged from the official records for all time. Here then, for the first time, is the story that was never meant to be told

#### The Heritage

Most black history prior to this century was, of necessity, oral history. Denied access to reading and writing skills by white masters and bosses, blacks developed a rich oral tradition in the forms of fables, songs, etc. A good deal of this has survived to this day, passed on from generation to generation, and references to one or another game played clandestinely in the cool of the master's icehouse crop up in bits of doggerel dating back to pre-Revolutionary times! A typical example:

Coon in the Icehouse

Cotton-choppin' time's when de sun am strong,

Coon in de icehouse, singin' him a song, Singin', "Some like a choklit cake, bake inna pan,

But it can't cool yo' ass de way dis ice cake can!"

Den de coon see a dead mouse lyin' by de door. He pick up de stick an' push it 'cross de floor,

An' he think to hisself as he give de mouse a whack,

"Ah wish dey was anudder coon to push dat mouse back!"

Luckily for hockey historians, Alexis de Tocqueville, during his celebrated tour of the new nation in the first years of the nineteenth century, provided a little-known but fascinating sketch of a "most original bit of sport" he observed while a guest at a plantation in Georgia:

After work, a group of the colored slaves gathered at dusk at M. icehouse. They were equipped with oddly curved sticks and an old skull of some creature or other. Dividing themselves into two opposing groups, they flailed away at the skull (which they referred to as "Marse's nose," that is, the nose of my esteemed host), sending it skittering across the icecovered floor. The object, it seemed, was to propel the "Marse's nose" into the other group's "trap," a receptacle fashioned of wire and wood. All of this was accompanied by wild shrieks and most foul curses, and so loud were they and oblivious to all but the sport at hand that a darkie from the great house had to come and quiet them on three successive occasions, and only a blast from a squirrel gun was finally sufficient to disperse them from their pleasure.

By the antebellum period there was scarcely a major plantation that didn't boast its contingent of "icehouse coons." Early pioneers such as Bubba Hall and Fine Lemon Gretzky electrified the icehouses with their skill and ferocity. One talented youngster seemed to have more grit and determination than any other—his name was Satchel LaFleur. Someone once asked Satchel for advice on life. Smilling broadly, he replied, "Don't look back—somethin' might be meltin' on ya."

Inevitably, whites took notice of the excitement, and it became quite chic for the jaded aristocracy of the Old South to wager on the outcome of the matches, much as they would on a horse race or boxing contest. A cruel variation called a "battle royal" evolved, in which several "young bucks" were blindfolded and then directed to flail away with their sticks until, by some miracle, the "plug" ("Marse's nose" no longer being an amusing term) would skitter into one or another cage. Needless to say, skill and dexterity in handling the plug and negotiating the icy floor on bare feet went unappreciated-the object of these bouts was humiliation and BLOOD, the more of both the better. Large sums of money would change hands, and the white spectators would scream themselves hoarse exhorting their favorites on to greater efforts. The "winner" 's reward was never more than a few pennies tossed contemptuously at his feet. Eventually the "royals" were banned, though not for any humane reason: too much valuable private property was getting bruised and beaten. The "icehouse coons" were left to their small pleasures by their masters, honing their skills unknowingly for a day of reckoning in the distant future.

#### The League and "de Cir-clit"

After the war, suddenly freed blacks throughout the defeated South found themselves facing uncertain futures. For some, however, the uncertainty was exhilarating. For the first time, freedom of movement meant the possibility that, with enough talent and luck, "entertainment" could be a more or less full-time occupation. In Louisiana, Acadians-"Cajuns"-from Canada had brought with them a love of the game called "hockey," and they passed on the rudiments of the sport to the local "icehouse coons." They quickly got the hang of it, keeping, of course, a number of their old icehouse tricks. Their gift for improvisation was wondrous. Faced with great hostility and prejudice from many rink owners, the colored teams were often forced to slog through spring training in the Florida Everglades. They had to rig up their own unique equipment: the goaltenders made masks out of young turtles' shells: skates were ax blades lashed to their feet with pillow ticking and baling wire; they

added curved barrel staves to their sticks to better handle their plugs, which became just that-several plugs of wet tobacco, frozen solid. But the greatest wonder of all was that, more than ever, white folks wanted to see them! As Reconstruction wore on, white Southerners seethed with resentment and longing for the way things used to be. What could be more evocative of things past than the antics of the good old icehouse coons? Sure, they had to pay the niggers a little something now, but it was still a mighty cheap nostalgia. Battle royals came back, but the black players quickly realized that by doing enough clowning and "tomming," they could satisfy the emotional need for harmless, funny darkies and still manage to play hockey without bashing each other's brains in. Not that there wasn't enough blood as well; there was high-sticking, body-checking, and plenty of brawls along with the fun. The concept of a penalty box was still unknown; besides, the rough stuff was good for business.

By the 1880s, a relatively comfortable "system" had worked itself out. A very loose "Colored Ice Hockey League" was in existence, made up mostly of ragtag teams sponsored by local white businesses throughout the South. Among these were Chattanooga's "King Cornmeal's Frost Possums," Little Rock's "Pap Peavine's Duskeemoes," Baton Rouge's "Slater Mill's Puckaninnies," and Biloxi's "Velvet Excelsior's Stick-a-Boo Seals." It all had a minstrel-show atmosphere to it—matches



Icehouse coons (antebellum period, circa 1850).

were arranged, preceded by musical acts, freak exhibits, and, of course, the occasional battle royal. Then, with the ice often melting around them, these nineteenthcentury Globetrotters would put on unforgettable demonstrations of skill and clowning. The crowds were strictly segregated, with the choice rink-side seats going to the whites and the roped-offed "bleachers" going to the blacks. The teams made their way from town to town, pretty much year round, and though these rough-andready tent-topped spectacles were a world apart from "real" (that is, white) hockey, it was a living, and the only sort of hockey the black players knew. As Peejoe Buford, the popular left wing with the Duskeemoes, put it: "Why, we played de cir-clit!"

#### Chicago Showdown

By the turn of the century, the "C.I.H.L." reached a peak of popularity, and the circuit had spread throughout the Midwest, with many great Negro teams in the North. The sport had followed the general migration of Southern blacks to the Northern ghettos in search of a better life. Some of these immigrants (very few) actually realized their dreams and became prosperous; thus, by 1910, some teams were even sponsored by black businesses! Most of these were clustered around the Chicago-Detroit area, and one of the best was the immortal "Mills Mortuaries' East Cicero Neckbones." The 'Bones had everything: the

best offense, the best defense, the sneakiest high-stick artists, the funniest clowners, and lots of "class." They had the flashiest black coach in the league, a full partner in Mills Mortuaries named Henry "Plant 'Em" Giraudoux. A fat, copper-colored "sportin' man" given to silk shirts, threehundred-dollar suits, gold teeth, and a diamond stickpin, "Plant 'Em" was one of the most popular fellows, with both races, that could be found in the game. Of mixed French and Negro descent, he originally came from a small logging town in Michigan near the Canadian border. As a boy, he hauled refreshments at all the original Detroit Redwing games. He had knowledge that no other black coach of his day had, and a love for the sport as it was really played. Above all, though, he was pragmatic; he knew that clowning and dirty tricks were the bread and butter of the Colored League, and he made sure that his Neckbones never failed to satisfy. Still, he drilled them until he had a "real" hockey team, even if few of the fans knew the difference or cared.

The color line in hockey was the strongest of any sport in North America, so strong that the great majority of serious followers of the game were unaware of the existence of any "Colored Ice Hockey League"; those who knew only laughed, the way a devotee of today's boxing laughs at the World Wrestling Federation. Besides, the terrible lesson that Jack Johnson had taught white America about fooling with that color line was not lost on hockey's officialdom. Hockey would remain as

white as snow forever, if they had any say about it. And so it remained until 1919, when Chicago's underworld, flush with the first profits of Prohibition, decided to make a foray into the world of stick and puck.

In 1919, Big Joe Colosimo ruled Chicago's vice dens. Aided immeasurably by his crafty lieutenant Johnny Torrio and such underlings as the newly arrived Al Capone of New York, Colosimo had a pudgy finger in many pies. One of his enterprises was supplying ice for all recreational use in Chicago and its environs, including that used by the Neckbones over in the suburb of East Cicero. The expansive Colosimo hit it off well with "Plant 'Em" Giraudouxso well, in fact, that he always referred to the black coach, in his broken English, as "my-a most-a favorite spook." Colosimo guessed correctly that a biracial hockey match would bring in thousands of spectators and millions in gate receipts and exclusive movie rights. The best team that year was the powerful Saskatoon Visigoths, and, of course, the game's greatest prize was the Stanley Cup. Big Jim wanted both team and trophy in his Chicago. He offered an unprecedented deal: one million dollars to the winning team, \$500,000 to the loser. Everyone who could be bought was greased, and the few moral objectors were steamrolled as spoilsports and bluenoses. "Plant 'Em" and Saskatoon coach and part owner Syl "Moosey" Jawchukk signed under the benevolent gaze of Big Jim Colosimo in March, and the match was set for May 3, 1919, one game only. It was on.

The afternoon of May 3, 1919, was balmy



"Only one coon will be standing soon—so lays your money down...." Early battle royal.



"Dem 'Bones, dem 'Bones!" The East Cicero Neckbones in their prime, 1915.

and breezy. The hastily constructed arena, able to seat 11,000, was jammed tight with over 16,000 paying customers. The seating was strictly segregated, and no alcoholic beverages were served. Nonetheless, racial tension electrified the arena. People of both races who had never seen any sort of hockey match were packed in just to see the spectacle of whites and colored locked in hoped-for combat. Celebrities abounded, including many luminaries of so-called polite society. Seated closest to the action were esteemed members of the sporting press, white to a man. (Black commentators had to be content with inferior seating.) Predictably, things started off with a battle royal, which was very well received by the whites in the audience. Every skillful steal and good-humored bit of dexterity on the part of the 'Bones was "deceitful" and typical of "coons." By contrast, the more robust Visigoths were not capable of wrongdoing. Their fierce body-checking and aggressive stickwork, readily admitted and admired in virtually every report, were consistently overlooked by the white officials, and "Plant 'Em" Giraudoux's cries of "Foul!" were jeered and ridiculed as "unmanly,

The sheer experience and weight of the Visigoths made the difference, and at the end of the second period they led 3–0. The whites in the crowd seed in a joyful mood, and were not even too upset when a little

colored boy won the halftime prize offered by Colosimo to the lad under fifteen who could slap the puck into the net from midice in the fewest tries—that prize being season tickets to the Neckbones' games the following year and a prize eight-hundredpound hog, slaughtered and dressed. (Pretty meager stuff considering what the take must have been with tickets going from five dollars to seventy-five dollars a head—unheard-of for those days.)

The third period saw the start of the Neckbones' resurgence. The winning combination of Reaper Dixon and Little Willie Littlesmall put in two goals that period and, miraculously, a third in the final sec-



Ceremony honoring "Plant 'Em" Giraudoux (in silk hat) as "Colored Businessman of the Year—Chicago, 1918."

onds of the last period. The blacks cheered wildly and the whites sullenly growled as the two teams girded themselves for "sudden death." The 'Bones had kept the mighty Visigoths from scoring any more, and it was now 3–3.

What happened in that sudden death period is still disputed to this day by the very few who know of it at all. What is beyond dispute is that it all happened very quickly—only fifty-eight seconds, to be exact. Some insist that it was Little Willie who scored after a spectacular steal. Some insist that Little Willie passed the puck to lanky left wing Pidge Kennan. In any case, it was terribly sudden: the puck skittered into the Visigoths' goal—the "Marse's nose" was in the Marse's cage! There was stunned silence for what seemed eternity. Then a few blacks in the crowd dared to whoop with glee. As one, the whites

roared, "Get the niggers!" In minutes, the whites had hauled out and stomped "Plant 'Em" Giraudoux and Little Willie to death and had their broken bodies hanging from the nearest support beam under the bleachers. At least thirty-four more blacks were killed, and scores injured. Only one white, a small boy, lost his life, trampled by his "own race." This was the only "tragedy" reported by the white press.

#### **Epilogue**

Never had reformers been so strong in America as in the year 1919, and they made the most of this incident. President Wilson, the man who brought new meaning to the word "self-righteousness," on his way out politically and physically, reveled in this "lesson of debauchery." Good-time Charlies and sportin' folk everywhere ran for cover as the bluenoses shrieked, the way they had when Johnson whupped Jeffries in 1910, this time tying the "Armageddon" of the Great War into it all somehow. The authorities seized the purse, and it is still a matter of speculation as to just where that tidy sum got itself to-it surely didn't go to any of the families of the slaughtered blacks. Big Jim Colosimo shrugged his fleshy shoulders and went back to what he knew best-simple straightforward crime. Almost a year to the day afterward, on May 11, 1920, he was shot down in his gaudiest restaurant on orders from his compare, Johnny Torrio. Perhaps saddest of all, the Colored Ice Hockey League was drummed out of existence, a senseless act which ended a noble tradition of Soul on Ice. And before long, nobody would even remember those heady days when "we all played the



Soul off ice: a rare shot of (left to right) Reaper Dixon, Pidge Kennan, and Little Willie Littlesmall on a publicity tour just prior to the Big Event. On Chicago's South Side.

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#### Prologue

It was the best of times!!! It was the worst of times!!! It was the age of the bond market!!! It was the age of the flea market!!! It was the epoch of the white entrepreneur!!! It was the epoch of the black opportunist!!! It was the season of Park Avenue!!! It was the season of the projects!!! It was the spring of \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$! It was the winter of #!@\*#&@!#&\*!!!...

In an apartment on the Upper East Side of Manhattan, a man heard a distant rumbling and climbed out of bed. At one time he had been a journalist; his once-successful career—penning capricious, erratic prose—had fallen by the way-side, so that now he was merely a ghost of more frivolous times, still favoring his former sartorial distinction...He was a nattily dressed fellow...white linen suit, cream shirt with Edwardian collar...white silk tie...and those were his pajamas! He was not very tall and of a slender build—almost sylphlike. One would have guessed him to be around sixty... He had a rather bland face, the most dominant feature of which was a high shiny forehead that went on and on... though he tried to hide it with a few wisps of hair.

He did hear explosions...down there, on Wall Street! One echoing blast followed another, and then another...until by six o'clock a frenzy of noise shook lower Manhattan! (You never heard any of this?) Bombs, rockets...the report of the big guns!!! War-on Wall Street! The ex-journalist went downtown and was surrounded by Soldiers of Fortune in Paul Stuart shirts, English suits, New & Lingwood shoes!!! They didn't use guns, they used telephones-Lords of the Rings. (You mean you're living in the middle of all this and you never even saw any of it? Come on!) They fought with frenzy...screaming, barking, bawling for more...more... more CAPITAL!!! NEW WEALTH!!! Green stuff, bonds, T-bills, basis points...more precious than food, more enduring than love-MONEY! Nine...nine and a half... Make it a double digit and we'll pick up...five hundred thousand shares...Done!...Solid!...Locked!!!

At the end of the day the noise downtown died down, only to be replaced by a rising clatter from the *other direction!* Uptown! Throughout Harlem and the South Bronx, disparate cries of violence rang out like lonely saxophones in a growing cacophony of outrage! A thunderstorm of rage fell down upon the city! Angry blacks were running wild through the streets, like the bulls of Pamplona! Polyester shirts and Reebok sneakers! *Bullets! Screams! Ghetto blasters!!! Drugs!!! Liquor!!!* (Honest—it happens, every night. Just ask your janitor or your office assistant...) A savage red cloud of noise mushroomed over Harlem and the South Bronx!

The ex-journalist decided ... uhhhhhhh... not to go there! As dawn broke, the sounds died down... and he heard the first wail from Wall Street all over again! He drew conclusions about New York City!!! There are two worlds in New York City—the world of ostentatious Wasp wealth and the world of dirt-poor peons... Everybody hates everybody!... Anger emanates from the street like piercing sirens... Acrimony gums up the streets like ooblick!!!

New York City in the late twentieth century! Yin and yang!!!

The Hamptons! The holding cells! The lawyers! The lobby attendants!

The English! The blacks!
The limousines! The BMT line!
The stores! The chores!
Fresh air! Times Square!

WALL STREET!!! THE SOUTH BRONX!!! The best of times!!! The worst of times! It was all there, waiting to be lionized!!!

He saw a way to get back into the books, so to speak... he'd write one...a novel!!! His first!!! But he was a journalist...how could he tangle with fiction? He knew!!! He'd follow some New Yorkers around, stir up a little trouble, rake a little muck—what the fuck—and write about what he saw! Oh, yes!!! He'd dive into the human condition, plummet the depths, and then come to the surface with his story!!! He envisioned around 650 pages of garrulous hyperbole, laden with imprudent assumptions and fatuous stereotypes...opulent phrases, florid verbs...sumptuous metaphors, rococo recitals of resplendent riches...that sort of thing...a regular goddamn dog and pony show on paper!

The New Journalism! The New Fiction! The Bonfire of the Banalities! Same as it always was.

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#### Kramah vs. Kramah

The blind man could somehow be heard above the din of the clangorous subway as it thundered through the tunnels to the Bronx, banging and clattering and shaking. The same guy was there every morning, selling his pencils, singing out in that irritating New York accent:

"Pencils for a quarter..." Pensahs fer a kwawter. "Buy five, get one for free." Buy fife, get wun fer free.

It was annoying, and Kramah was sick of it, all of it... the degrading subway cars... his worthless job and its suffocating blanket of mediocrity... the buffoons he worked with... his corpulent wife. At one time, when he was a young law student, life was full of promise... but now it was an empty page, a blankness... a playground without a teetertotter.

"Help the blind man out." Help dah blind man oud.

Though a graduate of Harvard Law School, Kramah was pulling in only \$11,000 a year as an assistant D.A. His old college friends were making a hundred times that! He and his wife and baby lived in a half-room apartment that cost \$754 a month, the typical going rate in Manhattan.

"I lost my sight in Vietnam." I lodst my site in Vetnam.

Most humiliating of all were his shoes. He had one decent pair of Florsheims, so precious that he wore sneakers to work and carried the shoes in a bag. Kramah didn't realize, of course, that he was stuck in shoe limbo. There were three kinds of people in Manhattan—those who wore \$650 shoes, those who wore \$60 sneakers, and those who were caught in the middle... in shoe limbo...

"Presharpened, 100 percent guaranteed." Preshahpened, hunned pahcent guantee.

Just a year ago he was the picture of health, a triathlete and fashion model, a veritable Roman statue with a briefcase.

But 365 days of living with his wife, Fat Eleanor, had all but done him in. Kramah remembered how, at one time, when danger approached, he was able to puff up his muscles so that he looked like the Michelin man, and scare the danger away. Now he was another fat lawyer. He had no means to protect himself physically, and so he relied on his brains: he disguised himself as a blind man every morning (making more than a few dollars in the process) and smashed potential muggers over the head with his cane.

"Pencils here." Pensahs heah.

Four black youths noisily entered the car, doing the pigeon stroll, a bobbing sort of shuffle not unlike that of a city chicken. A thing of grace and beauty, the pigeon stroll, rhythmic and proud and difficult. Walking that way involved at least thirty more muscles, from the neck to the fingertips, than a normal "white" person's walk. (This is not a racist statement—merely a noted, distinct characterization! Nothing smug or elitist about it!)

The first one looked to the middle of the train. "Hey, man, check out this dude!" Aaaaay, mane, check oud dis dude!

The Ghost was in the middle of the train, taking notes... watching Kramah's every move. "What is this, so white and pretty?" Whas dis, so white an' pret-ty?

The Ghost looked up in mortal terror. He straightened his fifty-six-dollar silk tie and ran his hand nervously through his sparse hair. He stammered, almost spoke...

The black man laughed. "Shit." Sheeeeeet!

But the train stopped at 161st Street. Kramah left the train, and the Ghost followed quickly. Walking up the steps, Kramah removed his sunglasses and folded up his cane. The Ghost continued to follow him.

Kramah worked in the Bronx County Building. The surrounding neighborhood was unique in that it suffered from the opposite of gentrification—call it hooliganification. At one time (just forty years ago) it was all Jewish, but the blacks started moving in and forced them out, and then the Puerto Ricans migrated to the neighborhood and forced the blacks out, and the process went on and on in a downward spiral through different ethnic groups until finally, when Kramah worked there, it was an interesting mix of Apaches, Zulus, Hell's Angels, and wild dogs!

From the subway stop, Kramah spied the Bronx County Building, a century-old granite memorial to better, optimistic times, a thing of truth and beauty and security, with its marvelous wrought-iron bars, substantial three-ton stones, and gargoyle-like armed guards. Kramah realized that he was walking through the most dangerous neighborhood in the world, surrounded by sirens and arrows and screaming and roars... and quickly became enraptured with the Bronx County Building. He ran to it as fast as he could. Somewhere, he thought, there had to be a better world, a nice place full of money and freedom and satisfaction. Somewhere there had to be a world for him.

And there was! On the Upper East Side!

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#### The Real McGoy

Vienna, Vienna! You nefarious nag! You mutinous mount!

The voice rang of aristocracy, distinctively elite...sniveling, but not nasal...a rich, deep, melodic baritone, actually...One thing you learned at Connecticut College was to sound as if you were a Yalie, so if anybody asked you where you went to school, you said, "Connecticut," and basked in the light of others' false assumptions.

Herman McGoy attempted to put an eighty-dollar L.L. Bean horsic raincoat on Vienna, his favorite polo pony (he kept six in the stables of the apartment), but the horse had other ideas. It was freezing-cold and raining outside! He kicked and neighed...he writhed about like Pokie in a blender...but it had to be done—it was a faux pas to take the pony out without proper attire! And Herman had to leave the apartment with the horse—Vienna was his ticket out, his excuse—so that he could go visit his mistress, Marla Rustpin. Vienna shook free from Herman and galloped down the hallway. Great, Herman thought, running after him. Wait till I try to get him into those \$120 Neiman-Marcus horse booties

Herman ran down the hallway, past the east kitchen, and stopped dead in his tracks! The Ghost was standing outside the window, taking notes! He was dressed in white and was inhumanly pale—he looked like a goddamn ghost!

"You—what are you doing out there?!!!"

But the man disappeared.

Regaining his composure, he went back to the task at hand, but he'd lost sight of Vienna—an easy thing to do in



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the spaciousness of Herman's sumptuous fifty-five-room apartment. There are homes...and there are homes...and then there are castles! Herman McGoy lived in a castle, a four-story, fifteenth-century model imported from England and placed on top of Trump Tower like a decoration on a cake! His residence and its furnishings were the envy of kings and queens! There were diamond staircases, mink chairs, and platinum doorknobs! What's more, if you flushed the toilet in one of the eighteen baths, the water in the shower wouldn't scald you! It wasn't uncommon for a visitor to walk into the stupendous entry hall, with its crystal walls, original Monet paintings, and imperious marble and gold latticework, and remark, "My, I'll bet the owner of this pad is a Republican!"

Not that Herman was always this wealthy! Oh, no! Herman McGoy grew up in relative poverty! His father, the Tiger of Dunning Spigot, could afford only a handful of servants and three houses! Many were the mornings in which young Herman would be awakened by the clamorous ring of an alarm clock...and impotently beat the machine against the wall while tears streamed down his rosy Wasp cheeks! He swore that one day he would escape this dire state of affairs and not have to be awakened by the impersonal gelidity

of a machine!

And this he did! He went to college in Connecticut! He graduated at the head of his class! He went into the bond market and made a fortune! He started out with the prestigious firm of Abutt & Caustello, and his rise was meteoric!!! The money poured in!!! Even his pony, Vienna, made good bucks. Herman could afford servants, some to cook, some to clean, some to clean the cooks! He hired one named Anna, a Puerto Rican girl! Her only job was to wake him up in the morning so that he wouldn't have to hear an alarm clock! Every morning he heard a compassionate human voice, and instead of pounding an alarm clock against the wall, he kicked her soft, fleshy ass!

He was still young, twenty-seven, rather short, of ho-hum build, but handsome in a Waspy way, which is to say that he would have been ugly as a snake if he'd been of average wealth! But Herman McGoy was worth fifty million dollars and only twenty-seven-how goddamn ugly could he be?! He had a long nose...dense eyebrows that grew together as one...crooked teeth...a weak chin...tiny eyes...and fifty million dollars! Gorgeous! Handsome! Nouveau wonderful!

Herman spied the pony two hundred yards away...back by the riding stables...crouched beside a massive threehundred-pound Irish writing desk! Herman caught him and then tried to dress him. His wife, Jewelry, was taking laugh lessons in the study, trying to learn something fresh and provocative for the next party. She came upon the scene just in time to see Herman struggling to put Vienna's leg in a horse bootie. Vienna kicked and shook and made a regular ass of

"What are you doing?" she asked!

"I'm going to take the pony for a walk!" Herman replied!

"Vienna, do you want to go?!" she said!

The little pony stamped his foot twice!

"Herman, Vienna doesn't want to go for a walk!"

Herman eyed her coldly! He could still muster an imperious gaze, and there were times when you...had to...put... your foot down!!! He put his foot down and tramped on the pony, which yelped and bucked and galloped down the hallway, straight into the elevator! The elevator door shut! Herman ran after him!

#### Reginald Sausage

Another opulent room, but not a castle on top of Trump Tower—a town house on 129th Street! Red velvet curtains, green leather chairs, and a purple shag carpet! Two white men, Edward Fiscus III (Yale, '79) and Martin Mobfried IV (Yale, '83) sat across the desk from a black man, the Reverend Reginald Sausage I (Christ Correspondence College, '72). The two white men were obviously uncomfortable, but Sausage's face didn't show a trace of emotion...although there was a little barbecue sauce around his mouth. He weighed 320 pounds! He looked like a sweating bowling ball! Scattered about his desk were no less than a dozen delicatessen takeout containers, a handful of dirty plates, six filthy glasses, and seven used paper towels.

"You see, when we originally pledged \$350,000 to the Little Bunny Daycare Center, we envisioned a real boon to the Harlem community," Fiscus said! "Now we find out that all you've done is buy an abandoned lot, reinvest the money,

and put a bunch of ex-cons on the payroll!"

Sausage nodded slowly. "Tastes like chicken, only it smells like fish," he said.

"Are you suggesting our deal is of dubious origin?" Mobfried asked!

"No, no," said Sausage, licking his fingers! "I'm talking about this Texas-fried catfish!"

Fiscus got right to the point. "We would like to know what happened to our money," he declared! "For the good of the community, it's imperative that we understand the extent of the misinterpretation in our transaction."

Sausage's smoldering gaze fell upon the open drapes. "Looks like meat, only it's nothing but vegetable," Sausage

Mobfried was alarmed! "Do we take that as a comment on the legitimacy of this transaction?"

"No, I'm saying that this eggplant Parmesan is a little funky," Sausage said!

Fiscus took the whole scene in! Upstairs he could hear the frenetic strains of the Fat Boys, and he felt good to his liberal bones! Rap music! Harlem! A big fat black minister! He was not just some wishy-washy apathetic Wasp millionaire! He was being true to the cause! Three hundred and fifty thousand dollars was being accepted in the black community! (Okay, you never heard of a wealthy white Ivy League Wasp who was weaned on colored music and wanted to be accepted in the black community? But they're out there! Honest!!!)

"It's not that we think the capital is being misused, Mr. Sausage," Fiscus said! "It's just that the money has not ended up where we originally thought it would."

Sausage looked at them levelly. "Let me ask you something," he said! "Where will you be when the dam breaks?!"

Mobfried looked upon the plate of mashed potatoes before the Reverend, six or seven scoops' worth, hollowed out around a dam of gravy that was bursting at the brim!

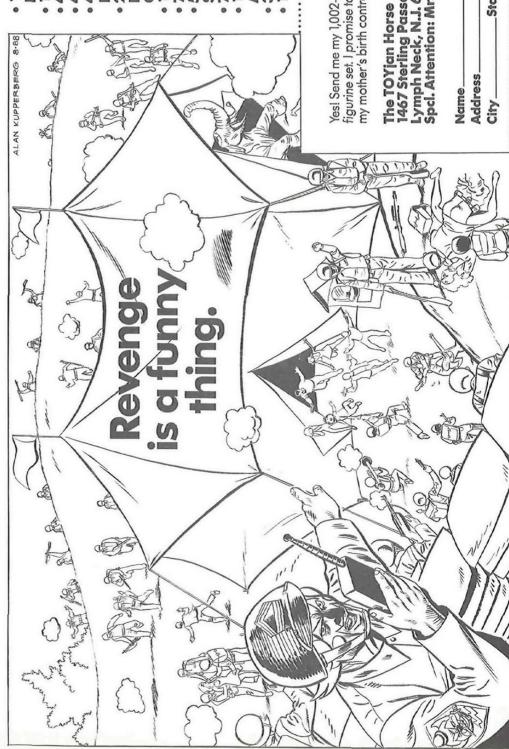
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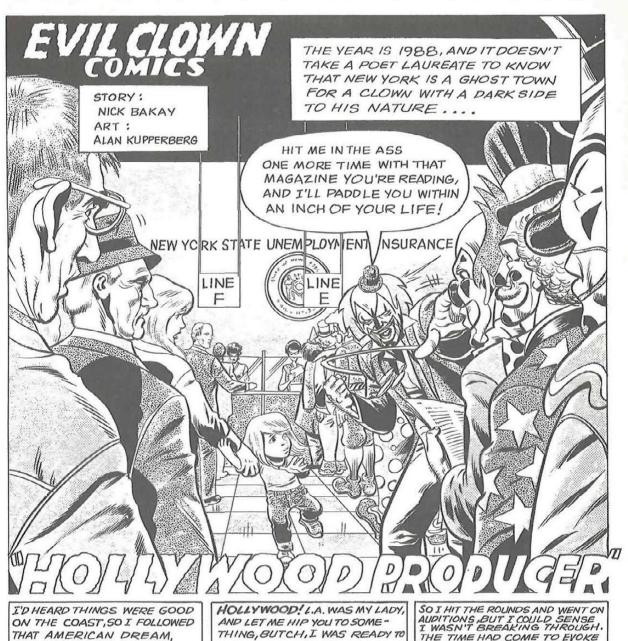


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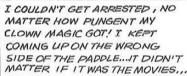
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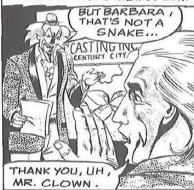
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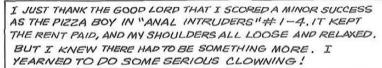








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A PROJECT, HEH ? SO THAT'S WHAT IT TAKES. WHERE THE FUCK AM I GONNA GET MY MITTS ON A PRO-



THAT SONG! ALL OF A SUPPEN IT CAME RUSHING BACK TO ME LIKE THE SMELL OF THE PIGBOY! THE MEANEST GOPPAMN CLOWN I EVER MET...



YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO BE A SIDE-SHOW RASPUTIN TO SEE HIS CAREER WAS ON HIATUS!



I WENT GOOD! I WAS ALL SET TO TURN THIS TOWN ON ITS SIDE, AND I WAKE UP ONE MORNING FILLED WITH LOVE AND CARING, THE KIND OF CLOWN YOU'D TRUST WITH THE BOSS'S KIDS!



GOOD! I HAP TO FIGHT THE URGE TO BENP DOWN TO MY KNEES AND VOMIT AN ENOLESS STREAM OF BILE! HE JUST KEPT SMILING LIKE SOME PEACE CORPS VOLUNTEER....







BETTER A DEAD CLOWN THAN A CHUMP!

I WAS DOWN TO MY LAST FIN, AND THE BLUE PLATE SPECIAL AT MOE'S LOOKED GOOD--THAT IS, IF I COULD FIND SOME GREEN IN PIPPO'S GEAR.





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A NEW WORLD OPENED UP TO ME, AND I SOON LEARNED THAT MAKING A DEAL IS ALMOSTAS REWARDING AS MAKING AN ALBINO MIDGET WITH A THIRD NIPPLE.

NO CAN DO, FRANCIS! OH, AND HEY, DID THEY NAIL DOWN THAT O'NEAL BRAT YET? HUH? WHAT DO YOU MEAN JACK DOESN'T WANT IT? WELL, THEN GET ME ALAN



POLO WITH THE HEAD OF A RECENTLY DEPOSED STUDIO HEAD!

WORK HARD, PLAY HARD! AND

NOTHING REFRESHES THE BEAUT I-

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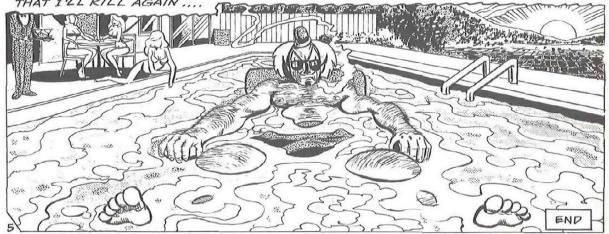








BUT WHEN ALL IS SAID AND DONE, I'M REALLY JUST A HOMEBODY. GIVE ME SOME OF THAT CALIFORNIA SUN, THE TICKLE OF A DESERT BREEZE BEHIND MY EARS, A LITTLE VOICE BURIED PEEP IN MY BRAIN'S PLEASURE CENTERS SAYING, "GO AHEAD, YOU DESERVE IT!", MORNINGS WITH THE SPORTS PAGES AND MY DOG, AND MOST OF ALL THE QUIET KNOWLEDGE



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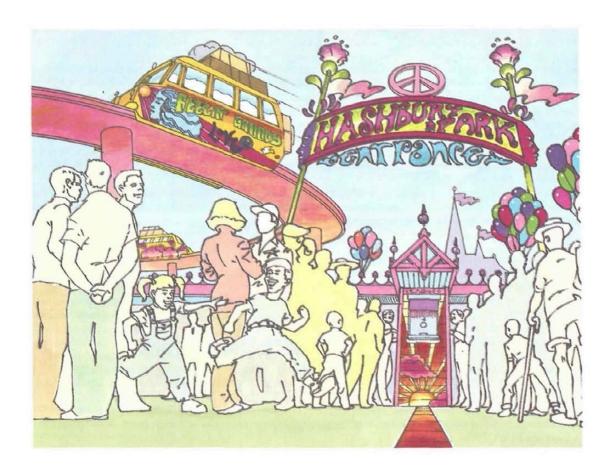
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You may recall that our generation once scorned professional money management and development strategies. I must admit that even those of us who have founded Counter Culture Development and its related trusts, subsidiaries, and holding companies once shared this unprofitable attitude. But as the American economy has grown, so have we all. We have learned the necessity of long-term planning, the social benefits of aggressive investment, and the importance of money as a medium of personal expression.

But so long as we keep alive our memories of those carefree, but fruitless, years of rebellion, Americans will remain "bullish on the sixties." You may have noticed nostalgia books like Todd Gitlin's *The Sixties* rising high on the bestseller lists; paisley appearing in high-end designer fashions; and sixties soundtracks bolstering the salability of high-yield recent movies. Once again, American entrepreneurs are proving that we can take the best of the past, clean it up, and transform it into a blue-chip commodity for today's competitive marketplace.

Now, with the twentieth anniversary of the Woodstock Festival upon us, 1989 promises to mark a new peak in "sixties fever." What better time to erect a fun-filled monument to the golden years of our generation? And what better way to leave a valuable legacy to our children than with a theme park that preserves our past for them to enjoy—while generating a steady income stream as its profit base grows and grows?

You've probably read that traditional theme parks, even Disneyland, have suffered slipping attendance in recent years. Why? Because they're rooted in a fifties consciousness which is meaningless to young families. Hashbury Park will set the standard for the nostalgia industry of the future. And if you, like most of us, often look back on the "purple haze" of your youth as just so many wasted years, here's your chance to ease your mind. An investment in Counter Culture Development, Inc. ensures that your past will pay dividends for years to come.

My partners and I look forward to celebrating the achievements of our generation in a way that is entertaining, educational, and immensely lucrative. Look over our "revolutionary" plans on the following pages, and I'm confident that you'll rally around me as you did long ago, this time to build a truly better world: Hashbury Park.

Jerry Rubin Chairman of the Board

The Many Lands of Hashbury Park

#### Hip Strip, USA

Like traditional theme parks, our projected "Far Out Kingdom" is divided into coordinated "Lands." But in place of the obsolete Main Street, our visitors will begin their visit with this quaint, composite re-creation of Haight Street, Sunset Strip, and the East Village, circa 1967.

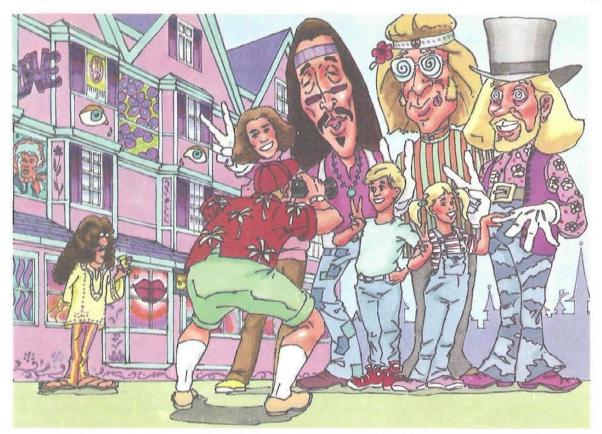
They will enter on the colorful Magic Bus Monorail, each car of which is decorated like a classic "hippie bus," where they can flop into an oversize pillow, stretch out on the American-flag rug, and watch the parking area zip by through peace-sign-painted windows. But there'll be no danger of body lice or fungal spores here. Although everything in Hashbury Park may look like "authentic sixties," it's pure "eighties clean."

If there's one thing the Baby Boom generation has learned, it's the magic and majesty of merchandising! And Hashbury Park takes a backseat to no one in providing a complete line of counter-culture consumer items. All the franchised shops on Hip Strip itself are not only clean, but are scaled to three-quarter size to make them seem less real and more manageable. These loving recreations of ramshackle Victorian houses and converted storefronts will make our visitors feel as though they're walking straight into Yesterday, when "all their troubles seemed so far away." This will put them in an easygoing, free-spending mood, just right to take advantage of a cornucopia of sixties goods at healthy eighties prices.

Parents will enjoy reliving old times in the **Head Shoppe**, where a hilarious assortment of tie-dyed shirts, granny dresses, and love beads awaits them. They can even go "way out" with freak-wig caps and paste-on sideburns and beards. (All items are rentable as well as purchasable, to ensure a renewable income resource.) For children there are bubblegum reefers and chocolate bongs so they can "play hippie" the safe way. And our customers will love to "dig" our staff of long-haired clerks—all clean-cut, non-union retail professionals in wigs, of course.

The Macrobiotic Snack Bar is another high-concept marketing surprise. Consumers will order what appear to be tofu, brown rice, soybeans, and other foods with nothing but "nostalgia" value. But they won't have to worry. That "tofu" is actually delicious Häagen-Dazs vanilla ice cream; the "brown rice" is specially shaped garlic pasta; and the "soybeans" are cleverly disguised Texas

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Hashbury Park mascots frolic on Hip Strip, USA.

chili. Our food may look natural, but it's as upscale as any at the most fashionable *nouvelle cuisine* eatery. And anyone who has invested in food ventures in the 1980s can tell you that *nouvelle cuisine* spells *nouveau riche*.

In other theme parks, prospective consumers might be greeted by Mickey Mouse, Bugs Bunny, or other relics of an older generation. But on Hip Strip they'll meet Hashbury Park's own mascots, Yippy, Hippy, and Dippy. Young actors in giant papier-mâché heads and period costumes will bring the three to life: Dippy, who provides innocent fun with her "Aquarian Age" tarot readings, star charts, and quotes from J.R.R. Tolkien; Hippy, a slow-witted, back-to-the-land type whom the kids will find huggable and parents will find appealingly pathetic; and Yippy, an irascible radical who recites extremist political harangues that will have young and old alike doubled up with laughter.

Hip Strip will even have its own authentic panhandler—but when customers drop a quarter into this electronic beggar's palm, a gumball rolls from his slack-jawed mouth. He'll be a surefire crowd-pleaser and a steady source of minor cash flow.

#### Freaksville

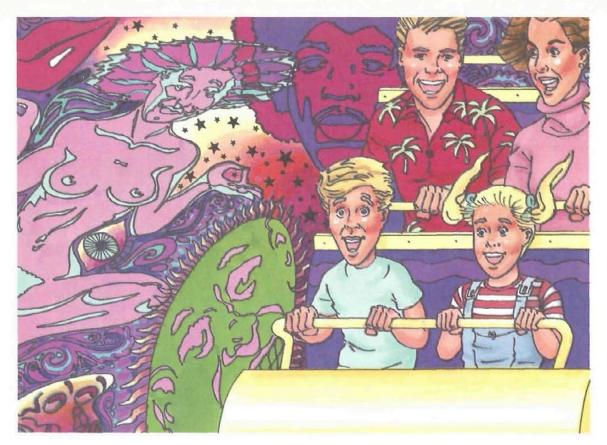
Income generation doesn't stop even when our visitors have reached "consumer burnout" on food and gift items. Our second "Land" shifts supply patterns from product to entertainment, in the form of the high-technology rides and shows.

Our most dazzling ride is **Hippie Mansion**, where dozens of holographic "ghosts" of the sixties cavort in obsolete alternate lifestyles for the amusement of visitors in safe rail seats. Features include a group sitting on the floor, "passin' the joint around." For comic relief, there's a sad little fellow trying to flush his roach as the cops close in (doesn't he know that that darn plumbing is broken again?). And adults will chuckle when they catch a glimpse of a large group doing something under the covers in the bedroom. (As our prerecorded tour guide quips, "What are they up to? Nothing you'd do in the age of AIDS, that's for sure!") Despite a high start-up cost, this memory jogger is projected to pay for itself and begin generating dividends within the first quarter of operation.

Counter Culture Development, Inc. will encourage its customers to feel like "Merry Pranksters," and soon enough they'll be standing in line to buy \$2.00 tickets to Mr. Kesey's Wild Ride. In the safety of a "minibus," customers will hurtle through authentic reconstructions of the Stanford University campus, a frightening mental clinic, a Barry Goldwater rally, Jack Kerouac's apartment, and Timothy Leary's eerie Millbrook. The ride ends with a simulated collision with fifty drugged-out Hell's Angels in the California hills, exciting enough to guarantee a repeat purchase.

Visitors who prefer to catch their breaths will find a high-dollar option in the nearby Commune Cruise. Our clean, safe boats will wind through a dreamy landscape of sixties Utopian societies, of simpler worlds which we actually thought might be possible once. Children will enjoy waving to Farmer Gascin, down on "The Farm" in Tennessee; the Diggers, trying to till the land in Golden Gate Park; and the comical Hare Krishnas on their ashram. At the end, our spectacular audioanimatronic re-creation of

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Visitors will experience simulated hallucinations on Space-Out Mountain.

the Woodstock Nation will generate oohs, aahs, and highly profitable word of mouth.

Through the magic of Monsanto, Space-Out Mountain lets our drug-free guests relive the sight-and-sound journey of an authentic acid trip without the slightest danger or discomfort. They'll see holographically produced "tracers" as a giant hand waves in front of them and leaves residual images behind. Then they'll roller-coaster into a "bummer" as wild, cartoon hallucinations leap from the walls. But, like everything at Hashbury Park, it all ends happily, with a transcendent holo-vision of Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds.

#### Amerika Square

From the beginning, Counter Culture Development, Inc. has insisted that Hashbury Park be not just an entertainment facility but a true educational and cultural center as well. Only thus, we believe, can we be eligible for nontaxable foundation grants, federal funds, and IRS educational incentives to increase your already significant dividends. It is in this spirit that we explore our sixties political heritage in Amerika Square.

This is not to say that our attractions won't combine chills and thrills with social enlightenment. Customers will be in for plenty of both when they buy a \$3.00 ticket on one of our "riot squad" boats, for an exciting night-ride through Newark, Watts, Oakland, and Detroit, where **Pirates of the Inner City** pillage and burn. They'll be right on top of the robotic action as teenagers steal TV sets from a shattered store window, a gang of rapscallions tries to set fire to the hospital, and the swashbuckling Black Panthers engage in a thrilling shootout with the "honky pigs."

But no one need fear getting caught in the crossfire of these electronically controlled "racial conflicts." Our customers will survive to take this ride again and again, free at last to experience black rage in perfect comfort and security.

To balance the scales we offer Pig Country Jamboree, an audioanimatronic musical show that will delight children while bringing back memories for their well-heeled parents. The Chicago Two, "piggy" replicas of Dick Daley and Julius Hoffman, kick things off with a funny country duet about the Chicago police riot, followed by the sem-antics of "S. I. Hamakawa" with his "Gag Order Blues." Then head pig "Lean Bacon Johnson" wraps it up with his "Great Society Stomp." This toe-tapping show will heal wounds, bring the generations together, and cost \$3.00 per capita.

For a ground-level tour of Hashbury Park, visitors will want to get on the **Peace Train**. It's just like a peace march, but no one has to walk. Before boarding this leisurely elephant train, ticket buyers will be given memory-stirring "Stop the Bombing" placards, while cheerful tour guides lead them in such clean protest chants as "1-2-3-4, We Don't Want Your Gosh-Darn War!" (And, of course, we'll make sure there are actors on hand representing a fair quota of veterans, hard-hats, and hawks. The Peace Train has been designed in cooperation with committees from all components of the political spectrum, to ensure that a visit to Hashbury Park isn't just physically, but also *ideologically*, as safe as can be.)

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For a change of pace, tourists will stroll through **People's Park**, where youngsters in authentic but clean "flower children" costumes will hand out daisies and burn their "draft cards." Fiery New Left-style speakers provide hours of old-time excitement. Every two hours our actors will stage a full-scale rock-throwing battle with the "fuzz," and on weekend afternoons we'll make visitors jump with a safe but authentic-sounding Weathermen bomb.

People's Park also holds our **Guerrilla Theater**, a clean, comfortable, retractable-dome area where foot-weary visitors can enjoy colorful sixties entertainers. We at Counter Culture Development, Inc. remember when comedians hadn't yet discovered screaming and face-making, and contented themselves with witty political quips. We take our audience back to those quieter days with the likes of Mort Sahl, Dick Gregory, and America's leading Lenny Bruce impersonators.

In the early evening, the theater's seats recess electronically into the floor, to permit dancing to the nostalgic strains of the Grateful Dead. Later, when it's time to "go eighties," our visitors can really "boogie down" to the syntho-pop beats of Roger Daltrey, Eric Clapton, Steve Winwood, the Jefferson Starship, Paul McCartney, and other time-tested stars.

#### Dreamland

As evening shadows fall our visitors will step into our fourth Land, to show their families the "World of Tomorrow" as we all once imagined it.

In It's a Cool World, happy little dolls will sing of the global transformation that we somehow thought was coming. Cute French and Mexican dolls rebel at their universities. Funny hippie dolls drift into Amsterdam, Marrakesh, and Katmandu, for hashish and enlightenment. Even sad little Czech dolls have their spring of singing. But there'll be no real-world anxieties to spoil the mood, and no Russian tank will ever roll through this merry ride for all ages.

There's no "Evening with Mr. Lincoln" at Hashbury Park. Instead, visitors will see their favorite troublemakers of yesteryear in America Rebels, as lifelike figures of Stokely Carmichael, Cesar Chavez, Abbie Hoffman, Betty Friedan, and others "tell it like it was." Baby boomers will chuckle to themselves as they ask, "Could we really have believed all that?" They they'll break out in peals of laughter at crazy kibitzers Paul Krassner and Muhammad Ali. But they'll leave singing after the whole gang wraps it up with an inspiring chorus of Three Dog Night's "Joy to the World."

The most edifying of all our exhibits will be the **Jerry Rubin Carousel of Progress**. Based on the life of the great investment counselor, our Chairman of the Board, these robotic historical tableaux tell the story of the raising of the nation's social consciousness, from the childish political activism of the sixties through the crucial Search for Self to today's mature commitment to working within the system. Parents will leave it proud of their generation and glad that their children can learn from their experiences. And you, as a stockholder, will glow with satisfaction as you think of how you've helped record your generation's spiritual evolution for the ages.

Ride through realistic race riots on the Pirates of the Inner City boat ride.



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Camelot, the magical castle in which fallen heroes rise up and greet you.

#### Camelot

We come at last to the towering centerpiece of Hashbury Park, the mystical castle of Camelot. This legendary repository of all our hopes and dreams, all our plans for what we could do for our country, was snatched from us all too early. Well, now it's coming back... thanks to the magic of audioanimatronics.

Put yourself in the visitors' place, filing in hushed lines past coffins of glass, where Bobby and Martin and, yes, even Jack himself lie in state. But should you weep? No. For all you need do is bend over the fallen heroes as if to kiss them farewell, thus breaking the electric eye, and... lo and behold, up they sit, smiling and speaking and shaking your hand!



Yes, the Spirit of the Sixties can live forever...through a capital investment in Counter Culture Development, Inc. Call our market representatives at My Generation Management, (800) 555-1969, for information on current share prices and purchasing plans.

#### Counter Culture Development, Inc. P.O. Box 1969 Woodstock, NY 01969

#### **Prospectus**

November 1, 1988

Counter Culture Development, Inc. (the Developer) is a corporation organized under New York State law to develop a tourism/entertainment complex near Woodstock, New York, to be known as Hashbury Park. Development will include purchase of land, provision of services, and all construction and subsequent operation of the complex. The Developer has a Board of Directors which has overall responsibility for the management of its affairs.

The Developer will issue only one class of shares. Each share has the same rights to dividend and to vote. Dividends are declared daily from net investment income. Shares may be purchased through My Generation Management, Inc. (the Manager), an indirect subsidiary of Eight Miles High Corporation, a holding company, and a direct subsidiary of Across the Universe Capital, Inc., a realty and insurance management combine. The offering price of a share is its net asset value next determined after the effectiveness of the purchase. Information concerning the establishment of monthly or quarterly automatic payments from dividends is available from the Manager's representatives.

The goal of the Developer is to seek maximum long-term income through development of a high-quality amusement/ entertainment complex designed to exploit accelerating consumer interest in the "counter-culture" of the 1960s and its ancillary products, themes, unregistered trademarks, and political movements.

#### **Timetable of Development**

Incorporation of Developer	7.1	1988	3
First stock offering			
Full capitalization (projected)			
Completion of contracts (projected) February 28, 1989			
Site groundbreaking (projected)			
Completion of physical plant (projected)			
Announced public opening			

Note: All schedule dates may be subject to change according to market conditions, contractual negotiations, weather patterns affecting construction, or personal finances and narcotics habits of our brokers and directors.

#### Projected Yield First Four Quarters

If initial investment = \$1.00 Projected dividend will be

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Dec. 31, 1989

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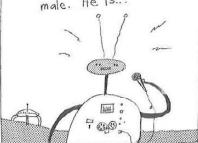
Note: These projections are based on the assumption of a Republican victory in the coming presidential election. In the event of a Democratic victory, all income from all investments throughout this great land of ours will inevitably be lower. However, the proven adaptability of Counter Culture Development, Inc. and the generation which created it ensures that we will be able to shift with the political winds quickly enough to maintain healthy profits.

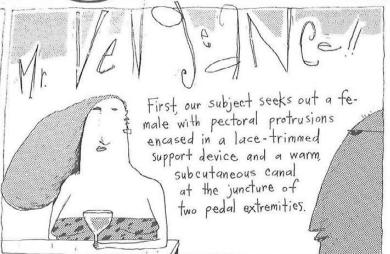
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#### PAGES

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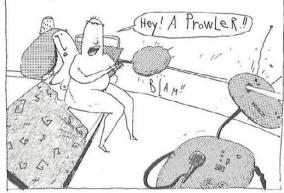
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Subject capitalizes on this by conveying female to his domicile, reposing her naked form on a yielding, horizontal slab, and commencing docking maneuvers with a small, rubbery protuberance.



After two minutes he's done and ready for Chinese food. Oops! I think he sees me...



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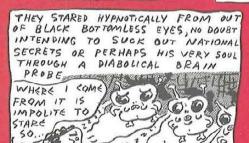
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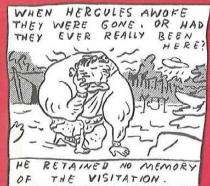














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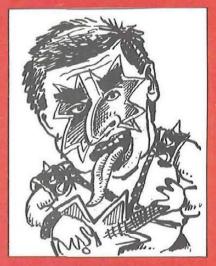
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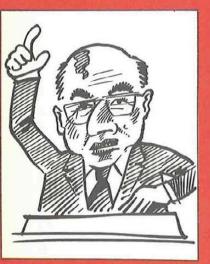
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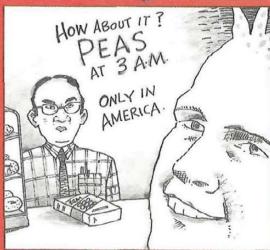
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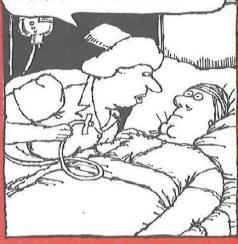
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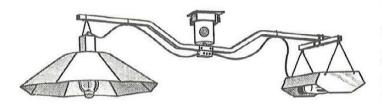
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#### **Zen Bastard**

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Ironically, Liddy was assistant district attorney some twenty-five years ago in upstate New York, and he led the raid on Leary's drug research estate in Millbrook. He used that arrest as a stepping stone in his career—to the FBI, to the CIA, to the Watergate break-in, to Hollywood Squares; and now, the equivalent of being knighted in twentieth-century America, he has his own TV talk show.

Liddy is infamous for having once eaten a rat. I don't know how he prepared this dish—whether he had rat Alfredo or put it in a blender with raisins or walnuts or mixed it with eggplant and zucchini for some good old-fashioned ratatouille—but he ate a rat, in order to get over his fear of eating rats, a nice, direct approach to the problem. At the debate, Leary said to Liddy, "I will eat a rat if you will eat a hash brownie." Liddy said no. After all, you can only carry machismo so far.

Ah, but the Psychedelic Liberation Front began feeding hash brownies to rats, then releasing them in each motel room along the debate tour, hoping that one night Liddy would suddenly get the urge for a midnight snack. Room service would be closed, so he would simply grab that rat scampering across his room and...well, this was just on the borderline of the ethics of dosing.

I also mentioned that I had once slept with Milton Berle's wife and left her a hundred-dollar bill, but she didn't leave me any change. Not only that, but she gave me a tip. And the tip was "You'd better climb out the bedroom window." Then I slapped myself quickly on each cheek for resorting to a cheap-shot joke like that.

I wandered out into the gambling area. A tough dude saw my lapel badge and said, "Oh, you're with that comedy convention, huh? Say something funny."

"I'm sorry," I replied, "I'm off duty."

Oh, yes, the advice that Late Night producer Robert Morton gave to this convention of comedians which the Los Angeles Times would not allow its readers to learn: "Go over your act and craft it for television. Don't use 'cocksucker.' I want to hear the clean TV version. If an act farts bubbles out of his ass, what would David Letterman say?"

Who knows? He might be so impressed that he would invite the guy on the show again—to play a different melody, of

#### **Bonfire of the Banalities**

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Sausage nodded somberly. "Ahhh heh," he said. "I'm not talking about mashed potatoes, gentlemen! I'm talking about the righteous mighty flood that's going to start when the dam breaks! Those who have paid their way out will be on the high ground! Those who haven't, won't!"

A huge black man named Buck (wink wink—that was what male blacks were once called a long time ago), strode into the room and escorted the white men out!

Sausage dug into the mashed potatoes and broke the dam, and the gravy spilled out onto his desk like a righteous, angry brown wave! He jumped up so as not to get any on his lap and knocked over two fried chickens in doing so. Sweating and whining—"Why did God let my little chickens fall to the floor?"—he bent over to retrieve his meal and saw a small electrical button attached to the underside of his desk. "What the hell is this?" He examined the button. "Buck," he cried, "Buck... get me my air-raid siren."

On Madison Avenue, Herman galloped up the sidewalk on Vienna, with the Ghost tailing in a cab. He was seated beside Tama Janowitz, the other darling of the New York literary set, whom he had met through an ad in the *New York Times Book Review*: "Wanted, fellow writer not creative enough to write pure fiction, to collaborate on real-life research which we will write about under the thin guise of 'fiction.'" The Ghost had a listening device of some sort in his left ear—Janowitz assumed it was a hearing aide.

"One time I was on East Third," Janowitz said, "when..."

Suddenly the Ghost screamed, jumped into the air, and ran out of the cab, tearing the headphones off.

"What's-a matter with him?" the cabbie asked.

"I don't know," Janowitz replied. "I have that effect on some people."

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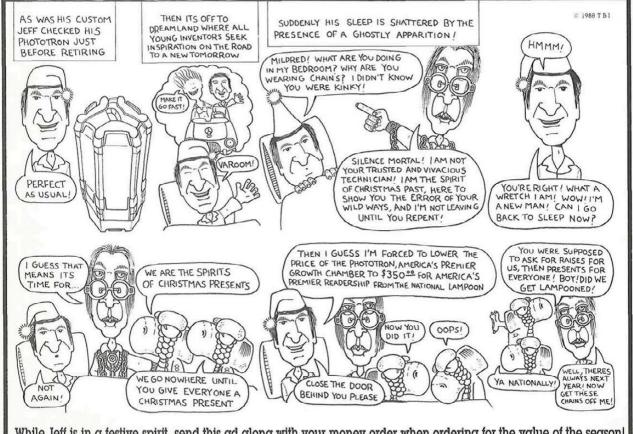
#### Tryst and Shout

Herman dragged Vienna up the stairs of 32 East 71st Street and knocked on the door of Apartment 4A. Marla Rustpin, the beautiful socialite, bade him enter! She was all but nude, sitting on the edge of her bed... Somehow Herman noticed only her shoes, black-and-white checkerboard, high-heeled, two-hundred-dollar Ferragamos that showed just the right amount of toe cleavage! Had he been a little more observant, he would have noticed the pair of white bucks peeking out from behind the drapes.

"Come on in, Herman, I was just thinking about you!"

Cum ahn in, Huhman, I wuz jest tinkin' 'bout ju! Marla was from Brooklyn—and spoke with a noticeable accent, which is to say that her vowels could shatter glass and her R's were so annoying that dogs howled! Yet, as she sat on a naked bed, herself equally nude, nobody but a persnickety writer would notice an accent! Nobody would notice a voice! She had dancer's legs! Thin hips! A tight stomach and ample breasts! She had a fashion model's face! Her eyes said she was from heaven but her mouth said Brooklyn!!!

"You and Vienna, the two of you look exhausted." Youse 'n' Fienna, dah two ah yahs look exhaasted!



"It was difficult for me to get out," Herman said. "Vienna didn't want to leave, and Jewelry thought I shouldn't—"

"Herman, come over here this instant and take me!" Huhman, cum ofah heah dis instan' 'n' take me! She didn't have to tell him twice! She had to tell him three times! Then he caressed her, he kissed her madly, he thrashed about on the bed like a fish out of water! It went on for minutes—five, to be exact—and then it was over.

"Herman, that was nice!" *Huhman, tha' wuz noice!* Exhausted and spent, she lay beside him in bed, barely able to lift her emery board.

"When can we meet again?" Herman asked.

"I don't know." I dun' know. "Soon, lover." Soon, luffah. "I'll probably see you at the Burgerkings' dinner party. I better get home now, my darling hubby is expecting me." My dahlen hubby 'spectin' me. Sarcasm hung like a cool mist in the room. "Is it still raining out?" Is id still rainin' oudt?

Herman opened the drapes and beheld the Ghost! "Yiii," Herman shouted, jumping back. "What the hell are you doing here?!"

Marla looked up with casual interest. "Who's he, Huhman?"

"This guy was at my apartment two hours ago, looking in the window," he said, then to the Ghost, "Who the hell are you? What the hell are you doing?"

"Oh, just an ex-journalist trying to make a comeback." Oh, just an ex-journalist trying to make a comeback. "I thought I'd try fiction, but you see, it's not easy...I'm not really a fiction writer... and I have to have something to write about! I thought I'd watch you for a few days! But you're not doing anything. Can't you get into trouble?" Can't you get into trouble?

Herman was indignant. "What do you call this, child's play?"

"No, I mean something really serious...throw yourself into some controversy, something to make you the prime example of the alienation of the masses...the focal point of our troubled times...something we can rally around..."

"Thank you, but I'd prefer not to!" Herman clenched his fist. There had to be some way of keeping the Wolfe from his door.

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#### Meeting of Minds

"What are you gonna do?" Janowitz asked the Ghost. "Nothing's happening."

The Ghost stared at the ceiling and cracked his knuckles. "I don't know. There has to be something I can do... Create an accident... something like that... I'll alert the media... There will be protests... The Bronx meets Wall Street headon, you might say... I could arrange for his girlfriend to accidentally run over a black kid."

Janowitz was writing notes on a conversation she'd just had with a rock musician. "Nah. Nobody's gonnah buy it. Sounds too much like *The Great Gatsby*."

"Well, if this keeps up, I'm going to have to go into writing workout books...or maybe New Age religions..."

"Make it about something you know," she said. "What do you know?"

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"I know about white linen suits, the perfect hemline, crisp clean pleats..."

Janowitz looked up and glared at him.

"I certainly know about architecture, stunning phases of Americana, buildings whose designs were borrowed from the Greeks, the Romans—"

"No way. Try again."

"I know about a bunch of guys in the sixties who did some acid, electric Kool-Aid, they called it."

"Oh, puh-lease, that's so old . . . "

"I know about art, inside and out. My book The Painted-"

"Give me a break! We're just not coming up with anything for either of us!"

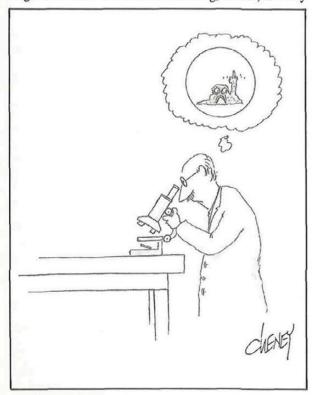
Sullen, the Ghost looked down at the floor. Janowitz, unhappy with her notes, folded the paper into an airplane and tossed it across the room. The Ghost watched its effortless flight over the pristine order of his living room...It floated on currents and curved into his bathroom...and crashed into the toilet.

"I just got an idea," he said. "There is one other thing that I know well."



#### The Burgerking Soiree

Herman's mood was gloomy as his chauffeured Bentley pulled up to the Burgerkings' building. His mood didn't change when he and Jewelry entered the apartment—intense laughter hit them in the face! Grinning, idiotic, wealthy



white faces were everywhere! All the men and women were posed in tight circles, conversational nests, so to speak... and each one of these "birds" had his or her own unique (and much practiced) laugh! The living room sounded like the jungle at sunrise!

The apartment of Charles and Inga Burgerking, owners of a fabulous fast-food chain, was pretentiously decorated. The main entry hall was papered with bank statements. The price tags had been left on all the furniture, and old money was burning in one of the fireplaces in the living room.

Inga Burgerking, a tiny sparrow of a woman in a black puffy dress that resembled a hot-air balloon, broke free from the nests to greet the McGoys. She was so thin that he could see the outline of her liver.

"Dahling Jewelry!"

"Inga, I don't think you've met Herman," Jewelry cried. "Herman, this is Inga."

"So nice to finally meet you," she affectionately declared, grabbing Herman's shoulder as if to steady herself in a harsh wind. "Come," she said, "I simply must introduce you to some of the other guests."

Herman scanned the room, wondering which nest he was going to settle in. Suddenly he saw him—could it be?! Yes ...it was him again, the Ghost—standing off to one side of the room!

"Inga-who's that . . . man?" he asked.

"Who, him? Nobody important. Name's Tom. Used to be a writer or something. He's a friend of my husband. A real social climber!"

"My God, look at that getup he's wearing," Jewelry laughed. "I thought he was one of the servants."

"I thought he was a pimp," Herman said. "Listen, you won't believe this, but he's been following me... The other night..." An iron door of caution slammed shut in Herman's mind. No use in letting Jewelry know about the other night!

Snort snort snort snort snort snort!

Herman wheeled around to face his wife, and saw that she had just tried out her brand-new laugh for the first time.

"Nonsense, Herman," Inga cried. "He's just some lonely old coot who's trying to fit in with the right crowd, only he'll never make it."

"There will never be another Truman," Jewelry said.

"Thank God," Inga replied, to their raucous guffaws.



#### Henry Rabbit

Though an angry young black man from the projects, Henry Rabbit had high hopes! He maintained a D-plus average in school! He tried not to shoot people! He stayed away from heroin before lunch! He had a part-time job, cleaning rich people's apartments! First he cleaned out the jewelry boxes, then the china closets, and then, if he could carry anything else, the electrical appliances! It was a helluva good job! Paid great!

As he pigeon-strolled across 133rd Street in the Bronx, he—like everybody else in the city—reflected upon the state of his shoes! They were high-top Air Nikes, red and shiny. He thought he saw something on the toe of the shoe. Nope, they continued on page 110

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#### **Bonfire of the Banalities**

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were as clean as Rockefeller crystal...But still, there was something...Rabbit bent over and took a closer look. He laughed—heh heh heh heh heh! There wasn't something on his shoes, there was something in them. They were so highly polished that he was looking at a reflection, of something moving...coming closer...What the...?

He was almost across the street when the earth veritably rose up to meet the screaming, plummeting Learjet, which crashed and burned and put a big hole in 133rd Street. Seconds later, the Ghost landed in a parachute, marked "Property of Herman McGoy," and left it, along with another, marked "Property of Marla Rustpin," beside the plane.

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#### The Twit Brit

As far as the English journalist Peter Shallow was concerned, hangovers, like Americans, did not improve with age! He couldn't move from his bed! His eyes were swollen shut! His ears were ringing! It felt like there was something small and ugly inside his head—he realized it was his brain!

He managed to get out of bed and pry his eyes open with a screwdriver, but he couldn't shake the ringing in his ears! And then he realized that it was the telephone! He felt like such a bloody ass! He picked up the phone!

"'Lo?"

"Hello, Peter, it's Bill Gross." Shallow's brain immediately went into the Pigeon Directory. *Gross, Bill.* American Jew. Big shot. Writer. Civil liberties type. Disestablishmen-



tarianism all the way. Fond of denim shirts. Always picks up the check.

"How lovely to hear from you."

"Listen, I think I've got an exclusive for you. Can you meet me at Le Quirk?"

"Not certain, Bill. What is it?" Though hungover to die, Shallow knew that his reputation was bad around the *Daily Post*, and a good solid story might help him out.

"A black kid died of a heart attack in the Bronx last night."

"So?"

"The heart attack was brought on by a Learjet that smashed him to bits second later."

"So?"

"I suspect there was foul play."

"Why?"

"Two parachutes were found close by, and both were owned by a couple of millionaires. The feeling among the people in the street is that these two capitalists were out having sex in the air when they lost the controls. Classic case of crash-and-run."

"You're kidding!" He could really be onto something! "Meet me in an hour!"

"Solid," said Bill. Shallow hung up the phone. Solid! Oh, these Yanks!

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#### The Fiftieth Floor

A fascinating sound! It was only eight o'clock in the morning and the phones were ringing off the hooks as the Lords of the Rings worked their magic! Buy! Sell! Steal! From the swank fiftieth floor of Abutt & Caustello, a legion of white-collar workers-make that pink-Edwardian-collar workers-collectively buzzed about their hive like so many angry Wasps! The din! The noise! Buy! Sell! Steal! They assaulted the market...with phones!...with computers!... with messengers! Buy! Sell! Steal! Sharp young men in hornrimmed glasses, monogrammed shirts, pink ties, Argyle socks, braces, and \$1,500 blue suits! Yet they cursed like truckdrivers. They threw things! They pounded their desks! Buy! Sell! Steal! They chain-smoked, belched, and scratched their crotches! They were everywhere at once: handsome, squeaky-clean white people...shouting...cursing...frenetically punching numbers into computers and forever dialing their phones!

Buy, sell, steal, O LORDS OF THE RINGS!!!

There wasn't a place on earth Herman McGoy would rather be. Then he saw the headline of the *Daily Post*:

#### PARACHUTE AT CRASH SITE OWNED BY HERMAN McGOY!

By PETER SHALLOW

After investigating the mysterious crash of a "ghost" Learjet on 133rd Street in the Bronx, police say they have found conclusive evidence as to the cause of the crash. "We have uncovered two parachutes near the site, both of which belong to very rich people," said Assistant District Attorney Lawrence Kramah. He noted that

the police investigation had been helped by anonymous calls from an unnamed source.

The Reverend Reginald Sausage, president of the Kill White People Now Coalition, has vowed massive protests over the incident. "This is just another example of the gross negligence of the ruling class," Sausage said. "They feel free to fly airplanes over our neighborhoods at night and wreck them wherever they choose, knowing that black people can't see falling airplanes at night because they wear sunglasses."

When it was pointed out that Herman McGoy, the fantastically wealthy Wall Street bond buyer, does not own a pilot's license, Mr. Kramah responded, "No wonder he crashed."

A police spokesperson said that another parachute was found near the site of the crash, but refused to reveal further details.

Demonstrations are scheduled throughout the city. Check this paper for time and

#### Epiloque

Sometimes books just run out of gas! Oh, this usually doesn't happen, especially if the book is over 650 pages long —but still, sometimes there's no way to gently let the reader down! So all of a sudden you stick something in-like a follow-up story in the New York Times, a year to the date.

#### **Ex-Financier Arraigned**

by WADING SWAMPLANDS

Ex-Wall Street millionaire Herman McGoy, 28, was arraigned today in Bronx Criminal Court for crashing a Learjet onto Henry Rabbit, a black youth, a year ago. If found guilty, McGoy may spend up to 110 years in a federal prison for piloting without a license, failure to report an accident, flying too fast, and leaving the scene of an accident. Marla Rustpin, the eminent socialite, was questioned in the McGoy case and granted leniency in return for her cooperation.

Lawrence Kramah, who was recently made Bronx District Attorney, noted that McGoy may receive a lesser sentence of 90 years if he pleads guilty. Even if he should somehow avoid a prison sentence, few will deny that it has been a difficult year for Mr. McGoy.

#### Impoverished and Not a Psycho

McGoy once wore \$700 shoes and was known as the Grand Master of the Lord of the Rings at Abutt & Caustello, the highly respected Wall Street firm. He appeared at the arraignment wearing a bloody Tshirt, ripped dungarees, and plastic bags for shoes.

Federal Judge William Kovitnicks discarded a plea of insanity by Mr. McGoy's lawyer, who claimed that Mr. McGoy was suffering from paranoiac delusions, specifically that a paunchy grayhaired gentleman in an absurd white suit was following his every move and had orchestrated a "frame-up."

Some time after the Learjet crashed on Mr. Rabbit, police reported finding a parachute that reportedly belonged to Mr. McGoy. This discovery triggered massive riots that have shaken the city for more than a year. The case made further headlines when it was learned that a second parachute, reportedly owned by Ms. Rustpin, was found near the site, and that Mr. McGoy and Ms. Rustpin were lovers.

According to Mr. Kramah, the sequence of events that took place on the night of April 21 is beyond question. "Mr. McGoy and Ms. Rustpin were flying around, engaging in sexual behavior, when Mr. McGoy, in a state of ecstasy, stalled the Lear. He and Ms. Rustpin then jumped out of the jet and fled the scene." Ms. Rustpin concurs with this version of the story.

Mr. McGoy, however, claims that the story is "balderdash" and that the plane was wrecked by a "Ghost" for the purposes of writing a book. Further, he claims that Ms. Rustpin concocted her version of the story because she was angry with Mr. McGoy over his failure to house-train his polo pony.

#### Blacks Rebel

Approximately two months after McGoy was arrested, the Reverend Reginald Sausage, founder of the Kill White People Now Coalition and self-described "living saint," called a strike of all black executives on Wall Street. When the three men will return to work is still unknown.

In August of last year, Ms. Roweena Rabbit, mother of the victim, won a lawsuit against Mr. McGoy. "My boy was a nice boy," she commented. "A man doesn't go to jail four times and not learn something."

She was awarded custody of Mr. McGoy's six polo ponies. "I don't need no polo ponies," the grieving mother said at the

time. "I already gots four at home."

Formerly the owner of a castle on top of Trump Tower, Mr. McGoy now lives in a seedy hotel in the Times Square district of the city. "It's a fair tradeoff," Mr. McGoy noted. "It's filthy, there are rats, hookers, and thieves, but at least I never see Donald Trump."

Mr. McGoy's ex-wife, Jewelry, has now moved to England in search of a suitable husband. When a reporter attempted to reach Ms. McGoy for a comment about the case, he was told that she was taking laugh lessons at Oxford's Debutante College and was unavailable for comment.

Peter Shallow, who won a Pulitzer Prize for his reporting of the McGoy case, also could not be reached for comment, as he was reportedly off sailing in the Mediterranean with Ms. Rustpin.

Farrar, Straus & Giroux, the noted New York publishing house, recently announced plans to publish a book about the McGoy incident. When asked who the author was, the spokesman would only say that the work was ghostwritten.



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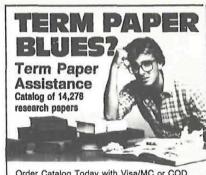
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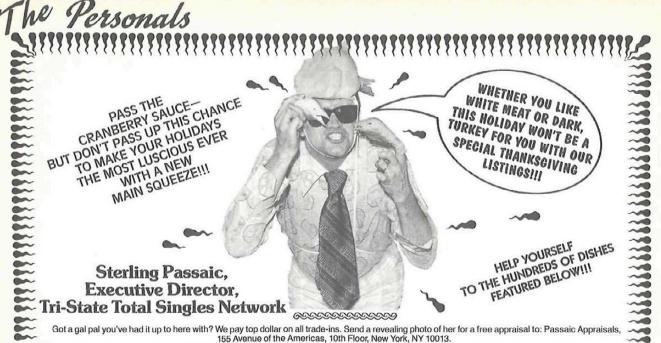
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